

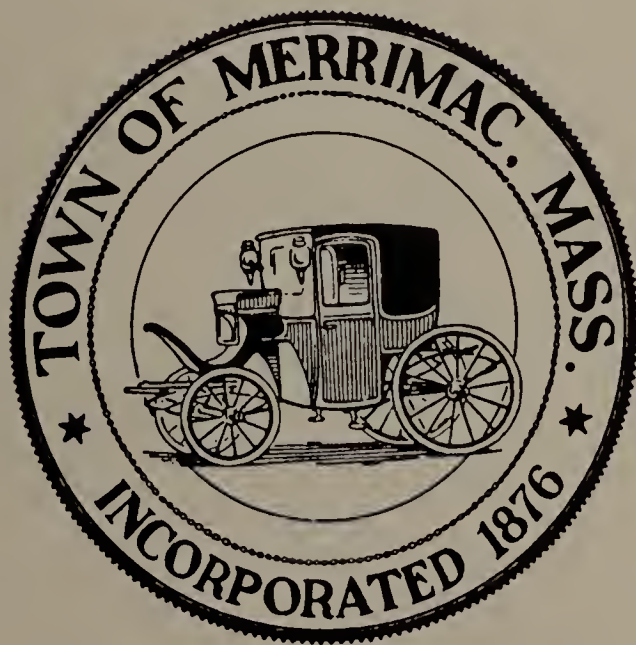
TOWN *Report*

1970

Merrimac, Massachusetts



ANNUAL REPORT
OF THE
TOWN OFFICERS
OF THE
TOWN *of* MERRIMAC
FOR THE
YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31,
1970



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DIRECTORY OF TOWN OFFICERS

MODERATOR

Robert L. Eckert

BOARD OF SELECTMEN

Wallace S. Carter, Chairman
Raymond P. David
Bernard H. Connor

ASSESSORS

Joseph F. Dugas	Term Expires 1971
J. Duncan How	Term Expires 1972
Milton E. Webster	Term Expires 1973

TOWN CLERK

Dorothy A. Cloyd

TAX COLLECTOR

Wilfred G. Journey

TOWN TREASURER

Roy C. Journey

MUNICIPAL LIGHT COMMISSIONERS

Wilbur E. Wallace	Term Expires 1971
Brian W. Peavey	Term Expires 1972
George A. Waterhouse	Term Expires 1973

MUNICIPAL WATER COMMISSIONERS

Wilbur E. Wallace	Term Expires 1971
Brian W. Peavey	Term Expires 1972
George A. Waterhouse	Term Expires 1973

SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Rhoderick D. MacDonald	Term Expires 1971
Peter W. Tilton	Term Expires 1971
Raymond R. Walton	Term Expires 1972
Eida V. Jervey	Term Expires 1972
Daniel S. Gulezian	Term Expires 1973

TRUSTEES OF CEMETERY

Merrill B. Smith	Term Expires 1971
Arthur R. Clark	Term Expires 1972
Alva W. Clark	Term Expires 1973

TRUSTEES OF PUBLIC LIBRARY

Barbara N. Adams	Term Expires 1971
Charlotte P. Gulezian	Term Expires 1971
Bernard C. Bickum	Term Expires 1972
Eida V. Jervey	Term Expires 1972
Nancy C. MacGregor	Term Expires 1973
Robert L. Eckert	Term Expires 1973

TRUSTEES OF KIMBALL PARK

Walter D. Calnan	Term Expires 1971
W. Edward Maguire	Term Expires 1972
Albert D. Sanborn	Term Expires 1973

PLAYGROUND COMMISSION

Harold J. Hume	Term Expires 1971
Arthur R. Cloyd	Term Expires 1972
George J. P. Stevens	Term Expires 1973
Leon B. Smith	Term Expires 1974
Michael J. McLaughlin	Term Expires 1975

BOARD OF HEALTH

Arthur W. Hoyt	Term Expires 1971
Arthur R. Cloyd	Term Expires 1972
Allen F. Stevens	Term Expires 1973

CONSTABLES

Wallace P. Spencer	Term Expires 1971
Francis J. Mathews	Term Expires 1971
Brian W. Peavey	Term Expires 1971

CHIEF OF POLICE

Maurice Carey - Retired 5/1/70
Arthur D. Evans - Appointed Provisional Chief 8/10/70

REGULAR POLICE OFFICERS

Maurice Carey - Retired 5/1/70
Francis J. Mathews
Arthur D. Evans
Donald A. Dwyer
Charles Syvinski

SPECIAL POLICE OFFICERS

FRED A. SMITH, Honorary
DR. HARRY BLOTNER, Honorary

ALEXANDER M. SULLIVAN, Honorary Chief
KENNETH D. HASKELL, Honorary
THOMAS CHAFF, Honorary
GEORGE R. BUZZELL, Honorary
FRANK DANFORTH, Honorary

Richard G. Noone

Brian W. Peavey

David N. Sharkey

Roland L. Spinney

Paul J. Tilton

Peter W. Tilton

Daniel G. Story

Ernest S. Packard

Edward Syvinski

POLICE WOMEN

M. Lucille Gamelin, Sergeant

Rachael L. Adams, School Crossing

Eleanor M. Williams, School Crossing

Rena Blanchette, School Crossing

Hazel Packard, School Crossing

SURVEYORS OF LUMBER AND MEASURERS

OF WOOD AND BARK

Richard E. Sargent

Donald A. Dwyer

Wallace P. Spencer

TREE WARDEN

Donald A. Dwyer

PLANNING BOARD

James P. Glidden

Ronald Shaw

Peter F. Smiles

Arnold W. Spofford

Corrado Pirrotta

Term Expires 1971

Term Expires 1971

Term Expires 1973

Term Expires 1974

Term Expires 1975

SUPERINTENDENT OF STREETS

Albert W. Lord

DOG OFFICER

Roger A. Mears

HEALTH NURSE

Elizabeth Pittman, R.N.

TOWN ACCOUNTANT

Gertrude C. MacKenzie

DIRECTOR OF CIVIL DEFENSE

William R. Mitchell

FOREST FIRE WARDEN

Glen I. Blackden - Retired 8/31/70

Richard J. Powers

FIRE DEPARTMENT ENGINEERS

Glen I. Blackden, Chief - Retired 8/31/70

Richard J. Powers

Harold J. Hume

David Stewart - Appointed 9/1/70

LEGAL COUNSEL

Richard P. Hamel

APPEALS BOARD

Shirley Spencer

Term Expires 1971

David W. Goodwin

Term Expires 1971

Robert MacLeod

Term Expires 1971

George R. Dewhirst

Term Expires 1972

Norman F. Bishop

Term Expires 1973

A. Bruce MacGregor

Term Expires 1973

ASSOCIATE MEMBERS BOARD OF APPEALS

Francis X. Sheehy

William J. Burns

FENCE VIEWERS

Kenneth E. Haskell

John Carver

William T. Willneff

INSPECTOR OF MILK, ANIMALS AND SLAUGHTERING

Harold M. Waterhouse, Sr.

GAS INSPECTOR

James H. Gleason

WIRING INSPECTOR

Roy E. Keiser

INSPECTOR OF PLUMBING AND SEWAGE DISPOSAL SYSTEMS

Frederick Ingraham

BURIAL AGENT

Harrison DeLong

VETERANS' SERVICE OFFICER

Harrison DeLong

VETERANS' GRAVE OFFICER

Harrison DeLong

VETERANS' AGENT

Harrison DeLong

TOWN FOREST COMMITTEE

Richard Sargent	Term Expires 1971
Edgar D. Sargent	Term Expires 1972
Albert W. Lord	Term Expires 1973

REGISTRARS OF VOTERS

Edward C. Greeley	Term Expires 1971
Michael J. McLaughlin	Term Expires 1972
Cecil L. Dressler	Term Expires 1973

JANITOR OF TOWN HALL

Harold Daniels

VOTE FOR OFFICERS ANNUAL ELECTION

March 2, 1970

Moderator, for 1 year	
Robert L. Eckert	881
Arthur W. Hoyt	2
Blanks	175
Town Clerk, for 1 year	
Dorothy A. Cloyd	951
Blanks	107
Selectman, for 3 years	
Raymond P. David	601
Ralph L. Buzzell	343
Frank C. Casazza	80
George F. Mahoney	17
Blanks	17
Assessor, for 3 years	
Milton E. Webster	865
Blanks	193
Board of Health, for 3 years	
Allen F. Stevens	867
George F. Mahoney	1
Blanks	190
Treasurer, for 1 year	
Roy C. Journeay	847
Dorothy A. Cloyd	1
Blanks	210
Tax Collector, for 3 years	
Wilfred G. Journeay	845
Dorothy A. Cloyd	1
Blanks	212
School Committee, for 3 years	
Lloyd D. Crossman	342
Raymond H. Estabrook	310
Daniel S. Gulezian	360
Blanks	46

Trustees of Cemeteries, for 3 years	
Alva W. Clark	876
Blanks	182
Library Trustee, for 3 years	
Robert L. Eckert	779
Nancy C. MacGregor	793
Blanks	544
Trustees of Kimball Park, for 3 years	
Walter D. Calnan	1
James R. Clark	1
Robert S. Connor	1
Donald A. Dwyer	1
James P. Glidden	1
George W. Hoyt	1
Frederick Ingraham	1
Douglas E. McAllister	1
Corrado Pittotta	1
Gordon Rines	2
Albert D. Sanborn	5
Blanks	1042
Light Commissioner, for 3 years	
Robert S. Connor	326
George A. Waterhouse	681
William H. Bridges	1
Blanks	50
Water Commissioner, for 3 years	
Robert S. Connor	328
George A. Waterhouse	680
Blanks	50
Surveyors of Lumber & Measurers of Wood & Bark, for 1 year	
Donald A. Dwyer	4
Raymond H. Estabrook	1
James P. Glidden	1
George R. Hoyt	1
George F. Mahoney	1
Gordon A. Rines	1

Robert Sargent	1
Wallace P. Spencer	1
Wilbur E. Wallace	1
Blanks	3162
Tree Warden, for 3 years	
Donald A. Dwyer	742
Frederick A. Underwood	255
Blanks	61
Playground Commission, for 5 years	
Michael J. McLaughlin	884
Blanks	
Planning Board, for 5 years	
Corrado Pirrotta	794
Blanks	264

JURY LIST

The following JURY LIST for the calendar year beginning July 1, 1970 has been prepared by the MERRIMAC BOARD OF SELECTMEN in compliance with Chapter 234, of the General Laws and adopted June 30, 1970:

ATKINS, Gilbert N., West Shore Road	Western Electric
ATKINS, Lester N., Emery Street	Retired
BATCHELDER, William L., 107 East Main Street	Mass. D.P.W.
BICKUM, Herbert, West Shore Road	Leather worker
BILLUPS, Charles, Birchmeadow Road	Haverhill Gas Co.
BIXBY, Clifton E., 82 River Road	General Electric
BUZZELL, Gerald E., 1 Abbott Street	Western Electric
CLARK, Alva W., River Road	Western Electric
CONNOR, Natalie D., 107 East Main Street	Western Electric
COTE, Nelson A., Merrimac Street	Sales manager
CYR, Genevieve F., Merrimac Street	At home
DEUPLISEA, Arthur H., Bear Hill Road	New England Homes
DUGAS, Joseph F., 2 Prospect Hill	Contractor
EMERY, Richard, 15 Judkins Court	Letter carrier
FLYNN, James A., 62 Church Street	Postal clerk
FLYNN, John E., 10 Maple Street	Western Electric
FOWLE, Alice E., 115 Church Street	At home
GIBBS, Velma G., 13 Locust Street	Retired
GUSCHOV, Helen L., West Shore Road	At home
HAMLIN, Harriett L., 72 River Road	At home
HARGRAVES, Lorraine, 3 Spring Street	Shoe worker
HEATH, Virginia P., 107 East Main Street	Western Electric
JOURNEAY, Marie F., 28 Grove Street	At home
KELLY, Marie A., Birchmeadow Road	At home
KNAPP, Hazel L., Birchmeadow Road	At home
LURVEY, Erwin D., 39 Locust Street	General Electric
MacLEOD, Martin L., 70 River Road	New England Telephone Co.
MAHONEY, George F., Merrimac Terrace	Retired
McALLISTER, Patricia, 38 Woodland Street	At home
MERRITT, Ralph M., 22 Lincoln Street	Western Electric
OJDOWSKY, Frank M., Fern Avenue	Insurance Agent
PITTMAN, George L., 30 West Main Street	Dairy Inspector
PEIRCE, James B., 2 Summer Street	New England Telephone Co.
RANDALL, Kenneth E., 8 South Pleasant Street	Civil Engineer

RANDALL, Robert D., 5 Adams Street	Postal Clerk
SIELICKI, Edward J., Birchmeadow Road	Western Electric
STONE, Robert A., 8 Pine Street	Shoe designer
WEST, Olive E., 35 East Main Street	At home

WALLACE S. CARTER
RAYMOND P. DAVID
BERNARD H. CONNOR

Board of Selectmen

MERRIMAC FIRE ALARM

Emergency Fire Alarm Telephone Number 6-2211

Emergency phone 6-2211 should be used for fire calls only. If for any reason line is out of order, dial operator and ask for EMERGENCY OPERATOR.

IN ALL CASES GIVE YOUR NAME AND EXACT LOCATION OF FIRE

- 3-3 Chief's Call
- 4 Former Mass. Northeastern Bus Garage, East Main Street
- 5 Merrimac Square
- 12 Locust Street, corner of Green Street
- 13 Main Street, opposite Forest Street
- 14 Main Street, near residence of Mrs. William H. Franklin
- 15 Birchmeadow Rd. and Main St., to Haverhill-Merrimac line
- 16 Woodland and Grove Street
- 17 School and Pleasant Streets
- 18 School and Mill Streets
- 21 East Main Street, opposite Skip's Snack Bar
- 23 East Main Street, near residence of William F. Acorn
- 24 Church Street, opposite Maple Street
- 25 Liberty and Mechanics Streets
- 26 Summer and Prospect Streets
- 27 Church Street, near residence of Richard Powers
- 28 Sawyer and Nichols Streets
- 31 Pleasant Street, Merrimacport
- 32 Merrimac Street, near Middle Road
- 34 Merrimac Street, Merrimacport
- 35 High St., Merrimacport, near Merrimac Brass Foundry
- 36 Merrimac and Broad Streets, Merrimacport
- 41 Lower East Main Street, Lake Attitash entrance
- 42 Lake Attitash Park at Fern Avenue
- 43 Emery Street at Burnside
- 51 Locust and Walnut Streets
- 52 Lower Locust Street, to Merrimac-Haverhill line
- 62 Birchmeadow Rd., and Hadley District, Telephone—No Box
- 71 Bear Hill Rd., to Newton, N.H. line, Telephone-No Box
- 72 West Shore, Lake Attitash, Telephone-No Box
- 74 Dance Hall, Lake Attitash, Telephone-No Box - Call 6-2211
- 121 Nativity Church, Green Street

- 132 Elementary School - Union^s Street
- 271 Elementary School - Church Street
- 2 Recall - All Out - Also All Clear Air Raid

NO SCHOOL SIGNAL

NO SCHOOL announcements will be made over Station WBZ and WHAV after 7 o'clock in the morning.

6:30 a.m. 11 - 11 - 11 - No school all day.

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN

At the annual town election in March, 1970, Raymond P. David was re-elected to a three year term on the Board of Selectmen. The Board organized as follows:

Wallace S. Carter, Chairman; Bernard H. Connor, Clerk; and Raymond P. David, third member.

On several occasions during the past year the Selectmen have met with representatives of the engineering firm of Camp, Dresser & McKee, hired to draw up the plans for installation of Merrimac's sewerage system. Requests for loans and grants have been filed with State and Federal agencies.

During recent months we have received word that Merrimac will soon lose the services of the Amesbury police lock-up and the Amesbury ambulance service. We are investigating alternatives to provide these services for the town of Merrimac.

The Selectmen have written to State and Federal agencies inquiring if there are funds available to towns for construction of municipal buildings.

In town meeting action, the citizens of Merrimac voted to establish the position of a building inspector. Gerald Hargraves has been appointed building inspector and a building code is in the process of being worked out.

Selectmen have had several meetings with Mrs. Mabel Campbell, Director of Civil Service in Boston to set up a civil service examination to fill the position of chief of police for Merrimac, a vacancy created by the retirement of Maurice Carey, former chief. It is expected this examination will be held sometime in March, 1971.

At this time we would like to express our thanks to Maurice Carey who served the town of Merrimac as chief of police for many years. We regret that Chief Carey had to retire due to illness.

We wish to thank all elected and appointed officials and the citizens of the the town for the cooperation we have received throughout the year.

WALLACE S. CARTER, Chairman
BERNARD H. CONNOR, Clerk
RAYMOND P. DAVID

REPORT OF
INSPECTOR OF MILK, ANIMALS AND SLAUGHTERING

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

I have made the following calls and inspections, and issued the following licenses for the year 1970:

Licenses for the sale of oleomargarine	4
Store licenses for the sale of milk	10
Vehicle licenses for the sale of milk	10
Total	24

A total of 24 licenses at 50 cents, \$12.00, this amount turned over to the Town Treasurer.

Number of barns inspected	35
Number of cattle inspected	301
Number of swine inspected	0
Number of horses inspected, including ponies	53
Number of goats inspected	1
Inspection of Division of Livestock Diseases Control	0
Check cattle from out of state	6
Animals quarantined	0
Inspection made in conjunction with S.P.C.A. Inspt.	2

Respectfully submitted,

HAROLD M. WATERHOUSE
Inspector of Milk,
Animals and Slaughtering

REPORT OF THE TOWN CLERK

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen
Merrimac, Mass.

Gentlemen:

As Town Clerk of the Town of Merrimac, I hereby submit my annual report for the year 1970:

BIRTHS

Number of births recorded	69
Males	35
Females	34
Father, Native Born	69
Mother, Native Born	67
Father and Mother, both Native Born	67
Father and Mother, both Foreign Born	0
Mixed Parentage	2

MARRIAGES

Number of marriages recorded	60
First marriage of Groom	50
First marriage of Bride	51
Groom, Native Born	60
Bride, Native Born	59
Groom, Foreign Born	0
Bride, Foreign Born	1
Average age of Groom	25 years, 3 months, 10 days
Average age of Bride	23 years, 1 month, 20 days

DEATHS

Number of Deaths recorded	26
Males	15
Females	11
Under five years	1
Males, Native Born	13
Females, Native Born	9
Of Native Parentage	11
Of Mixed Parentage	15
Average age	72 years, 4 months, 17 days
Oldest Person	101

LICENSES

Number of dogs licensed	268
Males	250
Females	18
Kennel licenses	2
Sporting licenses issued	189
Minor's sporting licenses issued	14

Respectfully submitted,

DOROTHY A. CLOYD
Town Clerk

REPORT OF THE PUBLIC HEALTH NURSE

During the year, clinics were held for mumps, polio, small pox, DPT, DT, Tine and measles for pre-school and school children. Parents are reminded that these clinics are free to all.

Flu clinics were held for all town employees.

Rabies vaccination was given to the pet population of the town.

Home nursing visits were made to residents when it was requested and sanctioned by a doctor.

I attended meetings given by the Massachusetts Department of Public Health, the Essex County T.B. Association and the Easter Seal Association. I have cooperated with other State and Town departments when in my ability to do so.

Monies received and turned over to the Town Treasurer during 1970 amounted to \$289.37.

Respectfully submitted,

ELIZABETH PITTMAN, R.N.
Public Health Nurse

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF HEALTH

To the Citizens of the Town of Merrimac:

The Board of Health was organized for the year 1970 as follows:

Arthur W. Hoyt, Chairman

Arthur R. Cloyd, Clerk

Allen F. Stevens, Member

Meetings were held on the first and third Thursdays of each month.

The Board received and investigated twenty-seven complaints, most of which were related to violations of the State Sanitary Code.

A contract for consultation services for the year was signed with the Easter Seal Society, with the result that the Board of Health with the Health Nurse, was accepted as an accredited Home Health Agency.

Respectfully submitted,

ARTHUR W. HOYT
ARTHUR R. CLOYD
ALLEN F. STEVENS

REPORT OF THE GAS INSPECTOR

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen
Merrimac, Massachusetts

There have been no violations by gas installers in the Town of Merrimac during 1970, although several corrections have been made to comply with the Gas Laws.

Respectfully,

JAMES H. GLEASON
Gas Inspector

REPORT OF THE CEMETERY TRUSTEES

To the Board of Selectmen
and Citizens of Merrimac:

The Trustees of the Cemetery Department with the able assistance of Charles Haynes, Superintendant have been able to keep the cemetery in good condition. All lots are sold with perpetual care to insure a steady income each year. Annual care will be increased to equal the perpetual care income. This is necessary because of increased cost of labor and materials.

It has been necessary to use the tomb this year as the road above the tomb is impassable for burials. We wish to thank Albert Lord and the Highway Department for their help in trying to keep the roads open.

Respectfully submitted

A. RAY CLARK
ALVA CLARK
MERRILL B. SMITH, Sr.
Trustees, Cemetery Dept.

REPORT OF THE PUBLIC LIBRARY

Trustees of the Merrimac Public Library submit their annual report for 1970, the ninety-fourth report.

This has been a year of change for our Library. In June, Mrs. Jean Stuart retired after eighteen years of faithful service as our Librarian. Mrs. Joan Lamson was appointed in July to replace Mrs. Stuart. She is our first librarian with a professional certificate and is meeting state requirements. With the advent of a fulltime librarian, our Library is now open six days a week, a total of 52 hours.

Circulation figures for 1970 are:

Adults	10,169
Juvenile	5,163
Total	15,332

This is an increase of nearly 15% over 1969. Reference service to both adults and students has continued to challenge the library's resources and the skills of the staff, but with the aid of inter-library cooperation, most research questions are being processed. We have borrowed 1177 books from the Eastern Massachusetts Regional Library System Bookmobile service, 674 adult and 503 juvenile, plus 46 titles from Inter-library Loans to fill individual requests. We have acquired 808 books, 40 recordings, and 18 filmstrips this year.

A children's summer reading club was joined by 75 Merrimac young readers, and was successfully concluded with a lawn party at which reading awards were presented. National Children's Book Week was observed in the Fall with displays of new books and old dolls, story hours for preschoolers, and visits from twelve elementary school classes. A complete inventory of the library's holdings is in progress, and is expected to be concluded in 1971.

Fines received and turned in to the Town Treasurer, \$258.11.

The library is grateful for the many donations received during this year, including 88 books, two exhibit cases, and several loan exhibits for display. Special thanks are also due Mrs. Nancy Perkins for the displays of children's art work on the library bulletin board.

Respectfully submitted,

EIDA V. JERVEY
CHARLOTTE P. GULEZIAN
ROBERT L. ECKERT
BERNARD C. BICKUM
BARBARA N. ADAMS
NANCY C. MacGREGOR

REPORT OF MERRIMAC CONSERVATION COMMISSION

The Merrimac Conservation Commission came into existence in September 1970, with members appointed by the Selectmen and organized under Mass. General Laws, Ch. 40, Sec. 8C. The purpose of the Commission, as defined by statute, is to "maintain, improve, limit the use of, or otherwise conserve and properly utilize open spaces and other land and water areas within their city or town and manage and control the same." This conservation of land, in addition to providing natural open spaces that is increasingly recognized as a vital part of man's environment, can create new areas for recreation, protect watershed areas, help to provide a controlled town development, and thereby enhance the value of all properties in the town.

Under the Mass. Gen. Law, Conservation Commissions are empowered to acquire land, on behalf of the town in several ways; by being assigned control of town land now used for conservation purposes such as town forests, obtaining suitable tax title land, receiving gifts of land from individuals and organizations, and by purchase with Conservation Commission funds. When land is purchased, existing State and Federal programs provide matching funds that can total as much as 75% of the purchase price. Merrimac is fortunate in having large land areas that are suitable for conservation purposes. Most of this land is presently town owned or is otherwise unsuitable for development and, therefore it is anticipated that a successful conservation program can be realized at a low cost.

It is a primary goal of this Commission that fund requests will be at a minimum, that maximum State and Federal assistance will be sought, and that development of outdoor recreation areas will use voluntary help where possible.

Because the organization of the Merrimac Conservation Commission has been so recent, the activity of the Commission members this past year has been one of education and planning. Members have attended conservation commission school classes given under the auspices of the University of Mass. Extension Courses at Ashland, Mass., and a number of organizational manuals have been studied. Meetings have also been held with Conservation Commission members of several nearby towns to draw on the experience of established organizations.

Sections of the Town Master Plan regarding conservation have been studied to determine how the recommendations can be updated and implemented. Preliminary planning of a number of projects has been made that will evolve into a town Master Conservation Plan.

Among the initial projects is a proposed development of the Stevens Pond area (adjacent to the Sawyer House and Engel Lewis Counter Co.) into a green belt area that will also be suitable for winter recreation. Plans also provide for a hiking trail system to be established from this area that, when developed, will eventually connect into the Town Forest.

The continuing aims of the Commission will be to establish a perspective from which citizens may better identify, define and contribute to the physical environment that they want in the future.

REGINALD RICHARDS, Chairman
RONALD SHAW
STEVEN HAMLIN
H. PARKER McLAREN
BARBARA DeVEIKIS
JOSEPH DeVEIKIS

REPORT OF DIRECTOR OF VETERANS' SERVICES

The Honorable Board of Selectmen
Merrimac, Mass. 01860

Gentlemen:

Submitted herewith is my annual report for the year ending December 31, 1970.

As Veterans' Service Officer the accomplishments have been many as follows: Securing compensation, pensions, hospitalization, outpatient treatment, additional pension for the housebound, educational benefits, G.I. loans, insurance, affidavits, medical records, Viet Nam bonus applications, annual income questionnaires, tax exemptions, burial

allowances, power of attorneys, certificates of service, and many other varied services. I have also had many phone calls, personal contacts, and many letters have been drafted and typed for veterans and their dependents. Grave markers and flags were distributed as required.

As Veterans' Agent I have taken applications for benefits, allowed justified payments, issued vouchers, issued food orders, obtained authorizations and reimbursements, and maintained records. I have filed required reports with the Commissioner of Veterans' Services, Boston, Mass. The case load on veterans' benefits is at an all time high with 5 permanent and 8 temporary cases on the rolls as of December 31, 1970.

I wish to thank the Board of Selectmen and other Town Departments for their cooperation this past year.

Respectfully submitted,

HARRISON S. DeLONG
Director of Veterans' Services

REPORT OF THE TOWN TREASURER

To the Citizens of the Town of Merrimac:

The balances, receipts and disbursements for the year 1970 were as follows:

Balance, January 1, 1970	\$ 187,369.29	
Receipts to January 1, 1971	2,230,711.41	\$2,418,080.70
Payments on Warrants	2,200,567.46	
Balance, January 1, 1971	217,513.24	\$2,418,080.70

Respectfully submitted,

ROY C. JOURNEAY
Town Treasurer

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF ASSESSORS

The Board of Assessors respectfully submit the following report for the year 1970. The Board was organized this year as follows:

Joseph F. Dugas, Chairman
J. Duncan How, Clerk
Milton E. Webster, Third Member

The following is a recapitulation of appropriations and estimated income of the Town, which was used in computing the 1970 tax rate of \$59.00:

Total appropriation	1,383,785.66	
Other amounts to be raised	6,172.50	
County tax and assessments	27,032.63	
State recreation areas	4,938.05	
Audit municipal accounts	158.00	
Mosquito control	2,420.00	
Motor vehicle excise bills	388.95	
State assessment system	1,333.04	
Overlays for 1970	44,992.74	
GROSS AMOUNT TO BE RAISED		\$1,471,221.57

ESTIMATED RECEIPTS

1970 estimated receipts (Cherry Sht.)	411,431.28
Motor vehicle & trailer excise	82,097.00
Licenses	13,781.10
Fines	427.00
General Government	3,392.13
Protection of persons & property	403.75
Health & sanitation	832.16
School (local receipts of Sch. Com.)	2,616.50
Libraries	278.31
Public Service Enterprises	39,086.68
Cemeteries	3,735.25
Interest	4,211.05
Farm animal, machinery and equipment excise	238.83
TOTAL ESTIMATED RECEIPTS	562,531.04
AVAILABLE FUNDS	73,709.26

	636,240.30
NET AMOUNT TO BE RAISED BY TAXATION	834,981.27

Water liens added to taxes	300.85
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Tax Rate \$59.00 per M
School Tax — \$41.06
General Government — \$17.94

Personal Property Valuation	465,100.00	
Real Estate Valuation	13,687,125.00	
TOTAL VALUATION	\$14,152,225.00	
TOTAL TAXES LEVIED ON PROPERTY		\$834,981.27
Valuation of Automobiles	\$1,585,660.00	

Number of automobiles	2382
Number Dealer-Repair-Farm	12
Number of horses	65
Number of cows	230
Number other animals	4
Number of fowl	125
Number of houses	1075
Number of acres of land	4109

New valuation showed an increase of \$144,260 over the previous year, representing six new buildings and other building permits. The tax rate was able to decrease \$2 over the 1969 rate, due to the \$150,000. increase over 1969 estimated receipts on the Cherry Sheet.

An Act, providing a tax exemption for certain qualifying elderly persons, passed by the Legislature in 1964, amended in 1966 and 1970, allowing an exemption of \$350. in taxes or \$4,000 in valuation, whichever is the greater. Under this Act, 87 were exempt for a total of \$29,291.40 on a valuation of \$496,465.

Veteran exemptions allowed under General Laws Ch. 59, Sec. 5, Clause 22, totaled 48 exempt for a total of \$5,664.00 on a valuation of \$96,000.00.

Widows exemptions allowed under General Laws Ch. 59, Sec. 5, Clause 17 and 18, totaled 5 for a total of \$590. on a valuation of \$10,000.00.

We wish to thank the honorable Board of Selectmen, Finance

Committee and all officials of this Town for their fine cooperation extended to us during 1970. We also wish to publicly express our appreciation to the State Bureaus of Local Assessment and Taxation for their assistance during this past year.

Respectfully submitted,

JOSEPH F. DUGAS, Chairman
J. DUNCAN HOW, Clerk
MILTON E. WEBSTER, Third Member

REPORT OF THE CHIEF OF POLICE

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen
and Citizens of the Town of Merrimac, Massachusetts:

I hereby submit my annual report of the activities of the Police Department for the year 1970.

We began the year one man short due to the absence of Chief Carey due to illness. The special officers covered the vacant shift until April when Charles Syvinski and Alfred Nichols were appointed regular officers. This brought the force to five regular officers as authorized by the March Annual Town Meeting.

Effective May 1, 1970, Chief Carey resigned due to health.

On January 1, 1970, Sgt. Arthur D. Evans was appointed provisional Chief of Police.

The schedule was again altered with the resignation of Charles Syvinski in October. The special officers again covered the vacant shift until January 18, 1971, when Richard Hoyt was appointed a regular officer. The department is presently at full force.

At this time I wish to personally thank all the Police Officers, Police Women and the business community for their every effort in support of the Police Department and its fight against the increasingly adverse

conditions with which we are faced as the years go by. It takes untiring effort as has been displayed by many to keep the town the place in which we are all proud to live.

Following are the statistics which have been compiled to summarize the department activities for the year.

ARTHUR D. EVANS
Provisional Chief of Police

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS

Complaints investigated	1,161
Motor vehicle accidents investigated	108
Injured in motor vehicle accidents	59
Number of motor vehicles involved in accidents	161
Messages delivered	87
Articles and animals reported lost	66
Missing persons reported	20
Assistance to other Departments	65
Ambulance assistance rendered	40
Assistance to ill or injured	82
Assistance to Medical Examiner	2
Doors and windows found unsecured (secured)	54
Lights left burning (stores and public buildings)	5
Reports of fires investigated, alarms answered	94
Reports of vandalism	122
Escorts	186
Vehicles towed	66
Breakdown assistance	54
Dog bites	23
Dog and cat complaints	145
People away	65
Summons served for out-of-town departments	117
Warrants served for out-of-town departments	5
Days at District Court (Chief)	114
Days at District Court (Officers)	114
Days at Superior Court (Chief)	10
Days at Superior Court (Officers)	5

NUMBER OF ARRESTS FOR THE YEAR 1970

Female — Residents	14
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Male — Residents	71
Female — Non Resident	9
Male — Non Resident	155
TOTAL	249

Motor vehicle violations, warnings	4
Motor vehicle violations, complaints	144

Jurors drawn	13
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DISPOSITION OF CRIMES

DIST. OF THE PEACE: 37, fines 12, dismissed 4, filed 6, appealed 6, probations 4, total fines \$145, H.O.C. 8.

ASSUALT AND BATTERY: 10, dismissed 3, discharged 2, appealed 1, probation 2, H.O.C. 6, 1 cont.—1YSB.

ASSAULT W/DAN. WEAPON: 3, probation 1, H.O.C. 1, 1 cont.—1YSB.

DRUNK: 38, fines 18, dismissed 1, discharged 9, filed 8, total fines \$205, H.O.C. 3.

OPER. UNDER INF. INT. LIQ: 18, fines 10, dismissed 1, discharged 6, filed 1, appealed 4, total fines \$500, H.O.C. 1.

SPEEDING: 56, fines 53, filed 2, total fines \$1090, 1 cont. w/out finding.

LEFT OF WAY: 47, fines 44, filed 3, appealed 1, total fines \$490.

CONT. TO DEL. OF MINORS: 1, discharged 1.

FURN. LIQ. TO MINORS: 1, discharged 1.

OPER. W/OUT VALID LIC: 1, fines 1, total fines \$25.

OPER. W/OUT A LIC: 1, fines 1, total fines \$10.

OPER. W/OUT MOTOR CYCLE LIC: 1, fines 1, total fines \$25.

OPER. UNREG. M/V: 6, fines 5, filed 1, total fines \$125, 1 Gen. Cont.

OPER. UNREG. M/CYCLE: 1, fines 1, total fines \$25.

OPER. UNINS. M/V: 6, fines 4, probation 1, total fines \$400, 1 Gen Cont.

OPER. UNINS. M/CYCLE: 1, fines 1, total fines \$25.

TOWING UNREG. M/V: 1, filed 1.

TOWING UNINS. M/V: 1, filed 1.

NO LIC. IN POSS: 1, fines 1, total fines \$10.

NO REG. IN POSS: 4, fines 4, filed 2, total fines \$40.

ALL. IMP. PER. TO OPER: 3, fines 2, appealed 1, total fines \$50, 1 cont. 6 mos.

OPER. TO ENDANGER: 15, fines 8, dismissed 1, discharged 3, filed 1, appealed 1, grand jury 1, total fines \$250, H.O.C. 1.

OPER. W/O INS. STICKER: 6, fines 5, discharged 1, total fines \$45.

OPER. AFTER RIGHTS TO OPER. SUSPENDED: 1, 1 default.

OPER. AFTER REVOCATION: 2, fines 1, probation 1, total fines \$100.

FAIL. TO DISPLAY INSP. STICKER: 2, fines 2, total fines \$20.

CONSPIRACY TO COM. LARCENY: 2, appealed 2, H.O.C. 2.

RECEIVING STOLEN GOODS (CHECKS): 3, appealed 3, H.O.C. 3.

POSS. OF FORGED DRIV. LIC: 3, appealed 3, H.O.C.3.

ATT. LARCENY BY CHECK: 1, appealed 1, H.O.C. 1.

BALD TIRES: 8, fines 7, filed 1, total fines \$70.

NO TAIL LIGHTS: 1, fines 1, total fines \$10.

DEFECTIVE EQUIP: 10, fines 10, total fines \$100.

NOISY EXHAUST: 4, fines 3, total fines \$30.

HUNT. TOO CLOSE TO PROP: 3, filed 2, 1 cont. w/out finding.

ALL. USE OF HUNTING LIC: 3 fines 2, total fines \$100, 1 cont. w/out finding.

FAIL. TO STAY W/IN MARK. LANES: 3, fines 3, total fines \$30.

REF. TO STOP FOR A UNIFORMED POLICE OFFICER: 5, fines 5, total fines \$185.

LOITERING: 5, fines 4, discharged 1, appealed 2, total fines \$100.

ATT. IMPROPER PLATES: 2, fines 1, filed 1, total fines \$25.

DEFACED NUMBER PLATES: 1, filed 1;

INCITING A RIOT: 4, dismissed 1, discharged 3.

BREAKING ARREST: 1, discharged 1.

NO HEAD PROTECTION (M/CYCLE): 1, fines 1, total fines \$10.

ALL. IMP. PER. TO OPER: 1, cont.

UNAUTH. USE OF M/V: 4, probation 3, H.O.C. 4.

IMPROPER STARTING: 1, fines 1, total fines \$10.

NUMBER PLATE HIDDEN: 1, fines 1, total fines \$10.

ILLEGAL HELMET: 1, filed 1.

ALL. UNREG. M/V TO REMAIN ON PUBLIC WAY: 1, fines 1, total fines \$25.

SELLING W/O LIC: 1, fines 1, total fines \$100.

NON SUPPORT: 3, appealed 1, probation 3, H.O.C. 3, 1-\$50 weekly, 1-\$15 weekly, 1-\$75 weekly.

VIOL. OF PROBATION: 1, H.O.C. 1.

ARMED ROBBERY: 1, grand jury 1.

ILL. POSS. OF FIREARMS: 1, grand jury 1.

ATTEMPTED ROBBERY: 1, grand jury 1.

STUBBORN CHILD: 1, probation 1, cont. w/o find.

VIOL. OF TOWN BY-LAWS: 2, fines 1, dismissed 1, total fines \$20.

B & E IN THE DAYTIME: 5, grand jury 1, 2 cont. w/o 6 mos., \$300 restitution

MINOR TRANS. ALCOHOL BEV: 6, fines 2, filed 1, probation 3, total fines \$50, 1 cont. 6 mos., 2 stay out of Merrimac, 1 Gen. cont.

NON PAY. OF FINES: 1, fines 1, total fines \$150.

REPORT OF PLAYGROUND COMMISSION

To the Town of Merrimac:

Under the chairmanship of Mr. James Hume and Clerk Mr. George P. Stevens, the Playground Commission realized a most successful year during 1970. All projects that were undertaken were completed. Some of the major projects were: upkeep of both playing fields, the repair of the back stops, and the repair and modification of the bleachers and storage shed.

The supervised play program opened the second week of July and continued for a period of six weeks. The children who attended were under the supervision of Miss Patricia Powers, assisted by Ellen Sheehy and William Lavalley, who in the opinion of the Commission did a job

well done. Games of all types were played by the children and also we instructed in the arts of handicraft, and how to get along with one another.

The Playground Commission would like to extend their heartfelt thanks to the members of the Lion's Club, who each year contribute so much.

Respectfully submitted,

JAMES HUME, Chairman
GEORGE STEVENS, Clerk
ARTHUR CLOYD
LEON SMITH, JR.
MICHAEL J. McLAUGHLIN

REPORT OF THE PLANNING BOARD

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

The Planning Board held regular public meetings on the second and fourth Monday evenings of each month during the year 1970.

During the year 1970 the following permits were issued:

new dwellings - 4

new garages - 3

Alterations and/or additions - 11

new storage sheds - 6

demolition - 8

greenhouses - 1

swimming pools - 8

The number of new houses built during 1970 was one third less than the number built in 1969. This continued reduction is probably the result of high interest rates on mortgage loans.

In addition this board was involved at special town meetings on

April 14 and September 29 when three changes to the zoning by-laws were proposed by others. The proposed changes were: (1) to rezone all of the frontage of the industrial zone along Route 110 to commercial, (2) to rezone to commercial both sides of Broad Street from Route 110 to Route 495 and (3) to rezone a part of the industrial zone and establish a general zoning district in order to permit expansion of the trailer park at 107 East Main Street. Number (1) was approved by the voters and numbers (2) & (3) were opposed.

Our goals for 1971 will be to continue to serve the townspeople of Merrimac through the zoning laws. We will provide planning which aims at making the physical community as attractive and workable as possible, consistent with the social and economic aspirations of the townspeople.

Respectfully submitted,

ARNOLD W. SPOFFORD, Chairman
RONALD K. SHAW, Secretary
JAMES P. GLIDDEN
CORRADO PIRROTTA
PETER F. SMILES

REPORT OF LIGHT COMMISSIONERS

The Merrimac Light Department continued updating the distribution system by running 1,025 circuit feet of 4/9 Hendrix Cable allowing balance for the two primary circuits and given more flexibility for rerouting in case of accidental failure and causing customer inconveniences caused by loss of energy during repairs. The Department replaced No. 6 copper conductor with 1/0 aluminum conductor on Highland Road. Twenty-four more Mercury lights have been installed bringing the total to 170 Mercury lights.

The future plans include making Merrimac Square a buffer zone and to remove the wires and utility poles in the square and install aluminum pole lights fed underground. The department consultant engineer, Thomas Welby, is now making a study of the electric curves at the substation to coordinate the town's distribution system.

Merrimac Light Department decided not to spend any more on capital outlay until pending labor dispute is settled, the committee on the feasibility of selling the Light Department has completed it's report, and until the pending fuel clause filed by the New England Power Co.

Environment and ecology adding to the spiraling cost of materials, taxes and wages to New England Power, our supplier, was passed on to the municipalities they serve and to Merrimac this is a 30.5% increase to take effect March 15, 1971, if accepted by the Federal Power Commission. Federal government ignoring the fuel shortage and usage of low sulphur fuel to generate electricity will result in another increase in October, 1971, approximately 25% to 28% increase to Merrimac, making a total of approximately 56% increase for the year 1971.

The department in the near future will have to expand the capacity of the substation and a study of what is most economical and beneficial to the town's future needs, will be first priority in capital outlay. The spiraling cost would delay other capital expenditures for updating the system.

MERRIMAC LIGHT DEPARTMENT 1970

OPERATION STATEMENT

SALES REVENUE:		
Residential	155,281.71	
Commercial	35,251.74	
Industrial	39,967.07	
Public Street Lights	8,210.78	
Town Buildings	4,731.31	
Rentals	1,344.00	
Interest Income	1,972.02	
Other Misc.	1,496.33	
	Total Sales Revenue	\$248,254.96
COST AND EXPENSES:		
Purchased Power	108,295.20	
Station Maintenance	1,342.82	
Street Lights Maint.	3,509.49	
Meter Maint.	2,261.76	
Distribution Maint.	4,675.48	

Overhead Lines Maint.	17,084.03	
Meter Reading	1,846.34	
Improvement to Plant & Property	14,221.24	
Customer Records	8,817.99	
Installation Allowance	2,350.00	
Uncollectable Accounts	415.06	
Customer Installation	182.40	
Hot Water Heater Maint.	92.80	
Administrative Salaries	7,009.16	
Office Supplies & Expense	2,699.93	
Outside Services	1,224.30	
Property Insurance	3,279.96	
Commissioner's and Legal	2,337.66	
Misc., Other	1,025.69	
General Plant Maintenance	520.81	
Vehicle Expense	5,549.80	
Standby	780.00	
Depreciation	14,523.50	
	Total Costs and Expenses	\$204,045.42
	Excess of Revenue Over Costs and Expenses	\$ 44,209.54

RETURNED TO TOWN IN 1970:

Lights in Town Buildings	4,732.00	
Street Lights	8,211.00	
For Reduction of Taxes	2,877.00	
	Total Returned	\$15,820.00

BALANCE SHEET

ASSETS

Cash for operations		\$ 25,060.33
Cash reserved for improvements to system		38,894.70
Accounts Receivable		17,444.67
Inventories		18,085.01
Customer Deposits on Hand		3,033.93
Plant and Property, at cost	\$504,673.51	
Accumulated Depreciation	(176,207.51)	328,466.00
Total Assets		<u>\$430,984.64</u>

Liabilities and Net Worth

LIABILITIES:

Customer Deposits and advances	8,148.23
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NET WORTH:

Unappropriated Earned Surplus	422,836.41
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Total Liabilities and Net Worth	<u>\$430,984.64</u>
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REPORT OF WATER COMMISSIONERS

The Merrimac Water Department in 1970 did routine maintenance work which included more working hours than usual at the pumping station and fields just to keep it in operation. Nineteen hydrants were repaired and one replaced. Six new services were installed, eighteen water services renewed, fifteen leaks repaired and five faulty gate valves and boxes repaired. Seventy-eight hours to customer service of miscellaneous nature not pertaining to the duties of the Water Department.

The Merrimac Water Department is not able to set up a good maintenance program excercising gate valves, flushing mains and hydrants or to take pressure or flow test at hydrants. Because of the high content of iron in our water we now have, such a program would cause a reddish colored water and use too much water to clear again.

The Department stopped it's program of improving the distribution system in order not to add more burden on the taxpayers while waiting federal assistance to improve our water supply. That is the major priority of consultant engineer Mr. Francis Ward.

The observation well test this year yielded a good amount of water and the draw down was only six inches showing there is ample water. However, there is too much iron and manganese in the water to be accepted by the State Public Health Department.

The Town of Merrimac this year has applied for Federal grant for water and Haley and Ward, Engineers were hired to pursue the grant.

This has been approved by the Merrimack Valley Regional Committee and the State of Massachusetts. An application was presented to the Department of Housing and Urban Development. Through a telephone call December, 1970, to the H.U.D. Boston office it was learned that the application had not been reviewed and there was no hurry because there are no H.U.D. funds available.

There are three alternatives for the Town of Merrimac to correct the water supply:

- (1) At the present well field try to find a suitable location for one or two gravel packed wells that will meet with the State Board of Health approval. These gravel packed wells (if approved) would be self contained and would eliminate problems at the pumping station and vacuum line.
- (2) If not possible for gravel packed wells revamp pumping station with new equipment.
- (3) The first priority is to develop the new well field on Bear Hill Rd. with new wells and (one million gallon storage tank) connected to our present system. The Town last year approved development of the well field pending funds from a federal grant.

TOWN OF MERRIMAC WATER DEPARTMENT 1970

TOWN APPROPRIATIONS:

Appropriation	\$39,126.00
Expended for operations:	
Maintenance and Repair	11,745.23
Power and Fuel	5,875.87
Materials & Supplies	3,344.27
Manager's Salary	2,861.12
Office Salaries	1,748.76
Calgon	1,616.94
Hydrants	1,132.66
Office Expense	833.00
Station Wages	774.20
Meter Reading	736.00
Tools	535.33
Truck Expense	422.66
Telemeter	323.51

Meters	286.20	
Insurance and Taxes	283.86	
Office Equipment	236.74	
Miscellaneous	88.16	
Total Expenditures		\$32,844.51
Return to Town		\$ 6,281.49

COLLECTIONS:

Water Revenue	38,931.19	
Service and Misc.	3,456.63	
Total Collected		\$42,387.82

SPECIAL TOWN APPROPRIATION:

Balance Forward Previous		
Bond Issue		
Carry Over to 1970	44.96	
Expended	44.96	
Balance	<u>00.00</u>	

Appropriation		
Observation Wells	2,000.00	
Expended — \$1,554.06		
Carry Over 1971 — 119.25	1,673.31	
Returned to Town	<u>326.69</u>	

Appropriation — Truck	3,950.00	
Expended	3,574.11	
Returned to Town	<u>375.89</u>	

Appropriation — Boiler		
Correction	600.00	
Expended	585.00	
Returned to Town	<u>15.00</u>	

Total Returned to Town		717.58
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WATER METER RENTAL FUND:

Balance from previous year	3,800.25	
1970 Collections	1,789.50	
Balance-end of year	<u>5,589.75</u>	
Interest on Deposits	425.05	
Total Funds reserved		6,014.80

GALLONS PUMPED 1970

MONTH	GALLONS	HOURS
January	9,120,000	425
February	8,470,000	397
March	10,373,000	498
April	10,550,000	500
May	11,321,000	589
June	10,820,000	562
July	13,790,000	644
August	12,790,000	659
September	11,120,000	605
October	10,420,000	604
November	9,100,000	580
December	10,390,000	636
	128,264,000	6,699

Average hourly pumping — 19,147 gallons per hr.

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF ENGINEERS MERRIMAC FIRE DEPARTMENT

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen
and Citizens of the Town of Merrimac:

The Board of Fire Engineers submit the following report for the year ending December 31, 1970.

Number of alarms	92
Assistance received from other communities	3
Assistance rendered other communities	4

We wish to thank the honorable Board of Selectmen, the officers and men of the Fire Department, the Chief and officers of the Police Department and the Citizens of the Town of Merrimac, Massachusetts for their co-operation and support this past year.

Respectfully submitted,

RICHARD J. POWERS
HAROLD J. HUME
DAVID STEWART, SR.
Board of Fire Engineers

REPORT OF THE COLLECTOR OF TAXES

I submit my report as Collector of Taxes for the year ending December 31, 1970.

I wish to thank the various officials and citizens for their cooperation during the past year.

1970	Comm.	Uncollected	%
Real Estate	\$807,547.45	\$63,781.07	.078
Water Liens	300.85	76.95	
Personal Property	27,440.90	2,171.65	.079
Excise	98,747.35	* 18,360.49	.185

*Includes \$15,859.40 committed in November.
60 day date after December 31st.

1969			
Real Estate	\$823,582.66	\$17,568.99	.02
Personal Property	30,921.51	2,253.03	.07
Excise	105,537.49	4,341.31	.04

1968			
Excise	\$99,085.03	\$2,534.66	.025

The early commitment of Real Estate Taxes increased collections and this is reflected in the improved free cash position of the Town.

Respectfully submitted,

WILFRED G. JOURNEY
Collector of Taxes

REPORT OF THE TOWN ACCOUNTANT

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

In accordance with provisions of Chapter 41, of the General Laws, I hereby submit the following report of the Accountant's department, first expressing my appreciation for the cooperation and courteous assistance rendered by you and all other Town Officials in complying with the requirements of our system. I also wish to thank the Department of Corporations and Taxation, Bureau of Accounts for the advice and courtesy they have extended to me during the year.

RECEIPTS

GENERAL REVENUE

TAXES:

Current Year:

Personal, Real Estate	731,831.99
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Previous Year:

Personal	5,597.79
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Real Estate	87,502.31
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Tax Title Redemptions	1,262.40
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State Tax Basis	12,902.09
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TOTAL TAXES	839,096.58
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LICENSES & PERMITS:

Trailer Park Fees	10.068.00
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Liquor Licenses	2,100.00
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Gas, Wiring	644.25
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Bldg., Plumbing & Sewerage	467.00
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All Other	240.00
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	13,516.75
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FINES & FORFEITS:

Court Fines	1,085.00
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Dog Fees	569.00
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TOTAL FINES	1,654.00
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PRIVILEGES:

Excise 1970	75,486.74	
Excise 1969	22,563.03	
Excise 1968	868.59	
Excise 1967	155.66	
TOTAL EXCISES		99,074.02

FARM ANIMAL EXCISE:

1970	218.22	
1969	122.75	
1968	86.50	
1967	41.50	
1966	41.50	
TOTAL FARM ANIMAL EXCISES		510.47

INTEREST:

1970	342.88	
1969	2,702.28	
1968	1,563.17	
1967	84.41	
1966	87.57	
1965	1.50	
Adv. costs & added int.	123.90	
Recordings & Releases	14.00	
TOTAL INTERESTS ETC.		4,919.71

TOTAL GENERAL REVENUE	958,772.03
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COMMERCIAL REVENUE

GENERAL GOVERNMENT:

Rent of Offices	1,041.64	
TOTAL GENERAL GOVERNMENT		1,041.64

PROTECTION OF PERSONS & PROPERTY:

Gun Permits	151.00	
I.D. Cards	38.00	
Bicycle Plates	20.50	
Oil Burner Permits	27.50	
TOTAL PROTECTION		237.00

HEALTH:		
Nurse Fees	289.37	
Milk Inspections	12.00	
Ambulance Service	730.20	
TOTAL HEALTH		1,031.57

HIGHWAYS:		
Chapter 81, State Maintenance	9,075.00	
Chapter 90, State Maintenance	485.71	
Chapter 90, State Construction	2,880.93	
Chapter 768, State Construction	11,029.60	
Road Machinery	2,095.30	
Safety Projects	1,200.50	
Department Public Works	16.03	
TOTAL HIGHWAYS		26,783.07

VETERANS:		
State	5,101.74	
Individuals	192.50	
		5,294.24

SCHOOLS:		
Lunch Program - State	13,428.53	
Lunch Program - Town	22,486.48	
State Aid - Chapter 70	319,999.63	
State Aid - Chapter 645 (Const.)	33,157.16	
Voc. Ed. Ch. 69 & 71	648.00	
Special Ed. Ch. 58	8,979.00	
State Dept. of Education	7,094.53	
Education of Handicapped	2,200.00	
Vocational Tuition	2,375.00	
Public Law - 874	3,179.00	
Public Law Title VIA	5,500.00	
Public Law Title I	8,576.00	
Public Law Title II	533.12	
TOTAL SCHOOLS		428,156.45

LIBRARY:	
Fines	225.44
State Aid	815.25
County Dog Refund	294.35

New Trust Funds	2,000.00	
Interest Trust Funds	480.84	
TOTAL LIBRARY		3,815.88

PUBLIC SERVICE ENTERPRISES:

Light Dept:		
Sale of light	202,150.32	
Sale of Power	35,809.05	
Sale of Misc.	6,010.11	
Consumer Deposits	1,400.00	
Sales Tax	52.67	
TOTAL LIGHT		245,422.15

WATER DEPT:

Water Rates	38,931.19	
Water Misc.	3,456.63	
Water Meter Rental	1,789.50	
TOTAL WATER		44,177.32

CEMETERIES:

Perpetual Care	1,095.75	
Annual care of lots	333.00	
Sale of lots	390.00	
Openings etc.	2,324.00	
Interest various trust funds	4,256.02	
Interest H.Robinson Lot	76.88	
TOTAL CEMETERIES		8,475.65

TOTAL COMMERCIAL REVENUE	764,434.97
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MISCELLANEOUS RECEIPTS:

Tax Title Possessions	1,050.00
Tailings	30.00
Loss of taxes	86.41
Indian Head Park fees	526.00
Various checks and refunds	1,517.27
Water Liens 1970	198.90
Water Liens 1969	281.76
Light depreciation fund withdrawal	6,335.57
Withholding Tax - Federal	76,515.44

Withholding Tax - State	17,588.54	
Certificate of deposit & interest	25,102.74	
Treasury Bills & interest	49,462.83	
Interest general cash	2,591.67	
Revenue loan and interest	325,000.00	
Interest consumer deposits	386.39	
Interest water meter fund	249.10	
Interest Stabilization Fund	581.79	
TOTAL MISCELLANEOUS RECEIPTS		507,504.41

TOTAL GENERAL, COMMERCIAL AND MISCELLANEOUS REVENUE		2,230,711.41
CASH BALANCE JANUARY 1, 1970		187,369.29
		2,418,080.70

EXPENDITURES

GENERAL GOVERNMENT

MODERATOR:

Salary	12.00	12.00
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FINANCE BOARD:

Printing and Postage	211.20	
Clerical Assistance	70.00	
		281.20

SELECTMEN:

Salaries	1,500.00	
Clerical Assistance	2,000.00	
Printing and Postage	132.10	
Admx. Expense	182.21	
All Other	445.73	
		4,260.04

ACCOUNTANT:

Salary	5,368.16	
Expense	175.11	
		5,543.27

TREASURER:

Salary	1,200.00	
Clerical Assistance	400.00	
Printing and Postage	648.42	
All Other	1,700.48	
		3,948.90

TAX COLLECTOR:

Salary	2,500.00	
Clerical Assistance	333.16	
Printing and Postage	799.62	
Recording Fees	60.00	
All Other	194.46	
		3,887.24

ASSESSORS:

Salaries	1,800.00	
Clerk	2,700.00	
Printing and Postage	438.14	
Admx. Expense	137.50	
Field Work	260.00	
All Other	1,369.85	
		6,705.49

LEGAL SUITS AND EXPENSE:

Salary	1,500.00	
Law Books	656.04	
All Other	183.00	
		2,339.04

TOWN CLERK:

Salary	1,000.00	
Printing and Postage	249.15	
All Other	252.50	
		1,501.65

REGISTRARS:

Salaries	250.00	
Census Taker	400.00	
Printing and Postage	38.65	
All Other	100.00	
		788.65

ELECTION OFFICERS:

Wages	434.02	
Expense	54.12	
		488.14

PLANNING BOARD EXPENSE:

86.62	
	86.62

BONDING TOWN OFFICERS:

624.00	
	624.00

TOWN HALL MAINTENANCE:

Janitor Salary	840.00	
Openings	24.00	
Fuel	2,138.42	
Rewiring	900.00	
Supplies	151.11	
Telephone	322.86	
Janitor Supplies	3.89	
Repairs	354.58	
All Other	220.91	
		4,955.77

TOTAL GENERAL GOVERNMENT	35,422.01
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PROTECTION OF PERSONS & PROPERTY

POLICE:

Salaries:

Chief	3,849.28
Sergeant	4,953.00
Patrol	13,210.00
Clerk	2,015.25
Specials	21,372.29
Uniforms	975.16
Cruiser Expense	3,101.34
Radio	288.90
Telephone	875.90

Office Expense	569.71	
All Other	996.88	
Lock-up	500.00	
		52,707.71

FIRE:		
Engineers Salaries	650.00	
Wages	3,999.95	
Radio	50.00	
Truck Maintenance	290.47	
Equipment Maintenance	1,361.25	
Building Maintenance	319.27	
Telephone	313.60	
New Hose	1,500.00	
Gas and Oil	227.24	
Fuel	513.29	
Fire Alarm System	793.78	
Supplies	534.78	
		10,553.63

NEW FIRE ALARM SYSTEM: 983.20

FOREST FIRE WARDENS: 200.00

TOWN FOREST: 28.00

BOARD OF APPEALS: 70.80

INSPECTOR OF GAS:		
Salary	350.00	
Expense	75.00	
		425.00

INSPECTOR OF WIRING:		
Salary	350.00	
Expense	50.00	
		400.00

INSPECTOR OF PLUMBING & SEWERAGE:		
Salaries	600.00	
		600.00

INSPECTOR OF OIL BURNER:

Salary	150.00	
Expense	50.00	
		200.00

DOG OFFICER:

Salary	166.50	
Expense	269.00	
		435.50

TREE WARDEN:

Superintendent	300.00	
Salaries and wages	1,142.84	
Truck Hire	91.00	
Equipment	199.95	
All Other	564.65	
		2,298.44

MOTH:

Wages	276.00	
Spraying	406.55	
All Other	415.00	
		1,097.55

DUTCH ELM:

Wages	380.17	
Truck Hire	24.00	
All Other	545.65	
		949.82

STUMP REMOVAL:

581.80

NEW TREES:

448.00

CIVIL DEFENSE

Salary	300.00	
Radio	86.89	
Telephone	125.80	
Riot Helmets	224.25	
All Other	29.45	
		766.39

TOTAL PROTECTION	72,745.84
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HEALTH & SANITATION

HEALTH NURSE:

Salary	1,875.00	
Expense	5.00	
		1,880.00

BOARD OF HEALTH

Admx. Expense	80.09	
Medical Supplies	69.88	
T.B. Hospital	2,087.80	
Animal Burials	30.00	
All Other	1,309.51	
		3,577.28

VITAL STATISTICS:	180.00
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INSPECTOR OF ANIMALS:

Salary	100.00	
Expense	10.00	
		110.00

INSPECTOR OF MILK:

Salary	25.00	
Expense	10.00	
		35.00

INSPECTOR OF SLAUGHTERING:

Salary	20.00	
Expense	5.00	
		25.00

AMBULANCE SERVICE:	1,091.00
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DUMP MAINTENANCE:

Salary	4,591.80
Equipment and Repairs	156.00
Fuel	241.27

Telephone	90.59	
All Other	18.57	
		5,098.23

TOTAL HEALTH & SANTITATION		11,996.51
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HIGHWAYS

THICKLEY SETTLED:

Salary, Supt.	401.64	
Wages	1,033.80	
Cold Patch	1,234.98	
Signs	59.08	
Telephone	129.54	
Fuel	116.60	
Supplies	1,432.21	
All Other	8.00	
		4,415.85

ROAD MACHINERY:

Repairs	2,538.80	
Gas and Oil	1,165.40	
Supplies	520.44	
		4,224.64

CH. 90 MAINTENANCE:

Hot Top	1,500.00	
		1,500.00

CH. 768

Hot Top	1,514.80	
		1,514.80

SNOW AND WASHOUTS:

Salary, Supt.	104.17	
Wages	6,499.11	
Salt, Gravel, Etc.	7,982.91	
Loader, Dozer, Etc.	3,216.17	
Rental of Shed	140.00	
Fuel	363.90	
All Other	942.93	
		22,249.19

SIDEWALKS, RAILINGS & BRIDGES:		
Salary, Supt.	136.62	
Wages	187.28	
Hot Top	1,012.50	
Gravel	139.20	
Supplies	24.40	
		1,500.00

WINTER STREET SIDEWALK:		
Salary, Supt.	267.76	
Wages	659.20	
Hot Top	2,068.75	
		2,995.71

CHAPTER 81:		
Salary, Supt.	3,748.64	
Wages	8,873.52	
Backhoe and Trucks	540.00	
Sand, Gravel, Etc.	103.87	
Cold Patch	1,184.26	
All Other	74.71	
		14,525.00

CHAPTER 90 CONSTRUCTION:		
Salary, Supt.	133.88	
Wages	312.00	
Hot Top	125.00	
		570.88

TOTAL HIGHWAYS

53,496.07

CHARITIES

M A US:		67.00
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TOTAL CHARITIES

67.00

VETERANS BENEFITS

VETERANS SERVICE OFFICER:		
Salary	900.00	
Expense	250.00	
		1,150.00

VETERANS BENEFITS:

Agent's Fee	600.00	
Medical Aid	334.40	
Ordinary Allowances	10,743.48	
		11,677.88

CARE OF VETERANS GRAVES:

115.20

TOTAL VETERANS

12,943.08

SCHOOLS

ELEMENTARY:

Salaries and Wages	359,353.51	
Admx. Expense	1,140.25	
Census	200.00	
Telephone	881.82	
Committee Expense	420.16	
Mental Health Clinic	500.00	
Nurse Supplies and Expense	241.64	
Physician	740.00	
Transportation	25,289.95	
Special Tuition	3,474.09	
Fuel	7,850.22	
Janitor Supplies	2,522.84	
General Supplies	8,263.39	
Text Books, Etc.	7,920.93	
Remodelling	3,239.13	
Bldg. Maintenance, Etc.	5,189.15	
Equipment	1,153.04	
Fixed Assets	1,952.48	
		430,332.60

SCHOOL LUNCH T.A.:

Wages	3,550.00	
		3,550.00

VOCATIONAL - TUITION & TRANS:

10,463.25

SCHOOL LUNCH - REV.

Wages	11,251.04	
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Food	20,503.67	
Other	1,268.56	
		33,023.27
P.L. TITLE I		8,576.00
P.L. TITLE II		530.96
P.L. TITLE VI A		6,238.48
P.L. 874		616.00
P.L. 89-10		11.33
RED OAK SCHOOL:		
Gilkey Construction	26,000.00	
Legal Fees	2,500.00	
Supplies	5,002.00	
		33,502.00
RED OAK BLDG. COMMITTEE		11.10
PENTUCKET REGIONAL ASSESSMENT		473,328.07
TOTAL SCHOOLS		1,000,183.06

LIBRARY

LIBRARY:		
Salary, Librarian	4,296.13	
Salary, Assistants	4,672.07	
Salary, Janitor	540.00	
Telephone	93.50	
Fuel	411.75	
Books, Etc.	3,445.56	
Supplies and Repairs	1,512.38	
All Other	38.36	
		15,009.75
TOTAL LIBRARY		15,009.75

RECREATION AND UNCLASSIFIED

PLAYGROUND:

Wages	578.00	
Supplies	354.37	
Repairs	153.64	
Landscaping	883.42	
		1,969.43

SUPERVISED PLAY:

Salaries	1,050.00	
		1,050.00

INDIAN HEAD PARK:

189.79

INSURANCE:

Workmen's Compensation	4,277.33	
Fleet	1,207.41	
Accident	1,200.80	
Liability	2,428.90	
Fire - T.T. Property	46.00	
Schedule	3,893.15	
		13,053.59

GROUP INSURANCE:

7,206.91

KIMBALL PARK:

50.00

INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION:

52.75

MEMORIAL DAY:

Band	250.00	
Flags and Markers	86.20	
Supplies	9.14	
		345.34

RENTAL AMERICAN LEGION HALL:

500.00

LIGHT IN TOWN BUILDINGS: 4,731.31

WATER IN TOWN BUILDINGS: 555.44

STREET LIGHTING: 8,210.78

13,497.53

PRINTING TOWN REPORTS:	826.65
CENTRAL MERR. VAL. REG. PLANNING DIST. COMMISSION:	326.10
LAND PURCHASE—L. EATON:	3,000.00
STUDY FEASIBILITY OF SELLING LIGHT DEPT.	52.60
TOTAL RECREATION AND UNCLASSIFIED	42,120.69

PUBLIC SERVICE ENTERPRISES

LIGHT DEPT:		
Salaries and Wages	44,738.05	
Consumer Deposits	1,485.00	
Consumer Deposits Interest	33.12	
Insurance	3,271.96	
Material and Supplies	163,982.92	
Depreciation Fund Deposits	14,523.50	
		228,034.55
COMMISSIONERS FEES		300.00
WATER DEPT:		
Salaries and Wages	13,228.21	
Material and Supplies	19,616.30	
		32,844.51
COMMISSIONERS FEES		300.00
WATER METER BOND ISSUE:		44.96
CORRECT FLOW AT PUMPING STATION		585.00
OBSERVATION WELLS		1,554.06
NEW 3/4 TON TRUCK		3,574.11
TOTAL PUBLIC SERVICE ENTERPRISES		267,237.19

CEMETERIES

CEMETERIES:

Salaries and Wages	4,262.08	
Gas and Oil	84.09	
Equipment and Repairs	360.01	
Back Hoe	165.00	
Loam	334.00	
All Other	694.82	
		5,900.00

CEMETERY TRUST FUNDS:

Salaries and Wages	4,090.42	
Gas and Oil	189.64	
Repairs	208.15	
Back Hoe	75.00	
All Other	113.80	
		4,677.01

TOTAL CEMETERIES	10,577.01
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MATURING DEBT AND INTEREST

PAYMENTS ON DEBT:

Elementary School	22,000.00	
Red Oak School	45,000.00	
Water Meters	4,000.00	
Fire Truck	4,000.00	
		75,000.00

INTEREST:

Elementary School	1,630.00	
Red Oak School	27,300.00	
Water Meters	780.00	
Fire Truck	662.40	
Revenue	6,453.00	
		36,825.40

TOTAL MATURING DEBT AND INTEREST	111,825.40
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OTHER PAYMENTS

Sales Tax	52.67	
Tax Title Property	50.00	
Dog Fees	569.00	
County Tax	26,485.18	
Essex Cty. Retirement Fund	18,628.56	
Stabilization Fund	5,000.00	
St. Recreation Areas	5,232.40	
St. Audit	158.00	
St. Assessment System	1,333.04	
Excise Tax	388.95	
County Mosquito Control	3,702.01	
Federal Withholding Tax	76,515.44	
State Withholding Tax	17,588.54	
Revenue Loan	325,000.00	
Certificates of Deposit	25,000.00	
Treasury Bills	49,156.00	
Trust Funds in Transit	4,158.38	
Refunds — Personal, Real, Excise	7,925.68	
TOTAL OTHER PAYMENTS		<u>566,943.85</u>
TOTAL PAYMENTS FOR YEAR		2,200,567.46
CASH BALANCE DECEMBER 31, 1970		<u>217,513.24</u>
		2,418,080.70

TABLE OF ACCOUNTS

	Balance Jan. 1, 1970	Appropriation	Transferred In	Transferred Out	Refunds & Receipts	Total	Payments	Balance Dec. 31, 1970
Moderator		12.00				12.00	12.00	
Finance Board - Clerical Assistance		70.00				70.00	70.00	
Expense		400.00				400.00	211.20	188.80
Selectmen - Salary - Chairman		500.00				500.00	500.00	
Clerk		500.00				500.00	500.00	
Member		500.00				500.00	500.00	
Clerical Assistance		2,000.00				2,000.00	2,000.00	
Expense		1,000.00				1,000.00	760.04	239.96
Accountant Salary		6,185.00				6,185.00	5,368.16	816.84
Clerical Assistance		300.00				300.00	94.96	205.04
Expense		100.00				100.00	80.15	19.85
Treasurer Salary		1,200.00				1,200.00	1,200.00	
Clerical Assistance		400.00				400.00	400.00	
Expense		2,900.00				2,900.00	2,348.90	551.10
Tax Collector Salary		2,500.00				2,500.00	2,500.00	
Clerical Assistance		400.00				400.00	333.16	66.84
Expense		1,100.00				1,100.00	1,054.08	45.92
Assessors Salary - Chairman		600.00				600.00	600.00	
Clerk		600.00				600.00	600.00	
Member		600.00				600.00	600.00	
Clerical Assistance		2,700.00				2,700.00	2,700.00	
Survey		500.00				500.00	260.00	94.51
Expense		1,800.00				1,800.00	1,945.49	
Legal Counsel - Salary		1,500.00				1,500.00	1,500.00	
Expense		1,000.00				1,000.00	839.04	160.96

Town Clerk - Salary	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00
Expense	608.00	608.00	501.65
Registrar's Salary - Chairman	100.00	100.00	100.00
3 Members at \$50.00 ea.	150.00	150.00	150.00
Clerk	100.00	100.00	100.00
Expense	31.00	38.65	38.65
Census Taker	400.00	400.00	400.00
Election Officers Expense	630.00	630.00	488.14
Planning Board Expense	200.00	200.00	86.82
Bonding Town Officers	575.00	624.00	624.00
Town Hall Janitor Salary	840.00	840.00	840.00
Town Hall Maintenance	4,900.00	4,900.00	4,115.77
Police - Salaries & Wages	45,421.00	45,421.00	45,399.82
Expense	6,590.00	6,790.00	6,807.89
Prisoners Board	500.00	500.00	500.00
Fire - Wages	4,100.00	4,100.00	3,999.95
Expense	6,000.00	6,000.00	5,903.68
Engineers Salaries	650.00	650.00	650.00
Forest Fire Warden	200.00	200.00	200.00
Board of Appeals	150.00	150.00	70.80
Inspector of Gas - Salary	350.00	350.00	350.00
Expense	75.00	75.00	75.00
Inspector of Wiring - Salary	350.00	350.00	350.00
Expense	50.00	50.00	50.00
Inspector of Oil Burner - Salary	150.00	150.00	150.00
Expense	50.00	50.00	50.00
Inspector of Plumbing - Salary	300.00	300.00	300.00
Inspector of Sewerage - Salary	300.00	300.00	300.00
Town Forest	50.00	50.00	28.00
Tree Warden Salary	300.00	300.00	300.00
Expense	2,000.00	2,000.00	1,998.44
Moth Dept.	1,100.00	1,100.00	1,097.55
			1.56
			2.45

106.35

TABLE OF ACCOUNTS (Continued)

	Balance Jan. 1, 1970	Appropriation	Transferred In	Transferred Out	Refunds & Receipts	Total	Payments	Balance Dec. 31, 1970
Dutch Elm Dept.		950.00				950.00	949.82	.18
New Trees		500.00				500.00	448.00	52.00
Stump Removal		700.00				700.00	581.80	118.20
Dog Officer - Salary		200.00				200.00	166.50	33.50
Expense		300.00				300.00	269.00	31.00
Civil Defense - Salary		300.00				300.00	300.00	
Expense	118.45	650.00				768.45	466.39	302.06
Plans for Housing Fire & High. Dept.	113.00					113.00		113.00
Board of Health		1,600.00	2,375.20		48.00	4,023.20	3,577.28	445.92
Health Nurse - Salary		1,875.00				1,875.00	1,875.00	
Expense		200.00				200.00	5.00	195.00
Vital Statistics		180.00				180.00	180.00	
Inspector of Animals - Salary		100.00				100.00	100.00	
Expense		10.00				10.00	10.00	
Inspector of Slaughtering - Salary		20.00				20.00	20.00	
Expense		5.00				5.00	5.00	
Inspector of Milk - Salary		25.00				25.00	25.00	
Expense		10.00				10.00	10.00	
Dump Maintenance - Salary		4,420.00	171.80			4,591.80	4,591.80	
Expense		1,000.00				1,000.00	506.43	493.57
Highways: Thickly Settled		4,500.00				4,500.00	4,415.85	84.15
Road Machinery Maintenance		2,904.70	2,095.30			5,000.00	4,224.64	775.36
Chapter 81		5,450.00	9,075.00			14,525.00	14,525.00	
Chapter 90 Construction	4,916.04		16,000.00			20,916.04	570.88	20,345.16
Chapter 90 Maintenance		1,000.00	500.00			1,500.00	1,500.00	

Sidewalk - Winter St. Easterly	3,000.00		3,000.00	2,995.71	4.29
Snow & Washouts	20,000.00		22,500.00	22,249.19	250.81
Sidewalks, Railings & Bridges	1,500.00		1,500.00	1,500.00	
Traffic Markers & Street Signs	73.90		73.90		73.90
Veterans Service Officer - Salary Expense	900.00		900.00	900.00	
Care of Graves	250.00		250.00	250.00	
Veterans Benefits - Clerk	150.00		150.00	115.20	34.80
	600.00		600.00	600.00	
	60.54		192.50	11,077.88	475.16
	10,000.00		11,553.04		
School Department	435,270.00		436,808.45	430,332.60	6,475.85
School Lunch	3,550.00		3,550.00	3,550.00	
Vocational	12,292.00		12,292.00	10,463.25	1,828.75
Pentucket Regional Assessment	473,328.07		473,328.07	473,328.07	
Library	13,960.00		15,069.60	15,009.75	59.85
Playground	2,300.00		2,300.00	1,969.43	330.57
Supervised Play	1,050.00		1,050.00	1,050.00	
Indian Head Park Expenses	526.00		526.00	189.79	336.21
Insurance	17,000.00		17,000.00	13,053.59	3,946.41
Group Insurance	8,500.00		8,500.00	7,206.91	1,293.09
Interest - Maturing Dept.	30,372.40		30,372.40	30,372.40	
Interest - Temporary Loans	8,100.00		8,100.00	6,453.00	1,647.00
Ambulance Service	1,000.00		1,200.00	1,091.00	109.00
Tax Title Property Repairs & Expense	300.00		300.00	50.00	250.00
Industrial Development Commission	1,500.00		2,608.21	52.75	2,555.46
Cost of State & Federal Grants	1,108.21		1,000.00		1,000.00
Plans for Treatment Plant - Survey & Expense	200.20		200.20		
Memorial Day	400.00		400.00	345.34	54.66
Rental American Legion Quarters	500.00		500.00	500.00	
Study Feasibility of Selling Light Dept.	550.00		550.00	52.60	497.40
Printing Town Reports	950.00		950.00	826.65	123.35
Christmas Parade	300.00		100.00		400.00
Weatherproof Brox Building			2,500.00		

TABLE OF ACCOUNTS (Continued)

	Balance Jan. 1, 1970	Appropriation	Transferred In	Transferred Out	Refunds & Receipts	Total	Payments	Balance Dec. 31, 1970
Youth Center	550.00			550.00				
Stabilization Fund		5,000.00				5,000.00	5,000.00	
Essex County Retirement		18,628.56				18,628.56	18,628.56	
Merr. Valley Regional Planning Dist. Commission		326.10				326.10	326.10	
Light in Town Buildings		4,731.31				4,731.31	4,731.31	
Water in Town Buildings		555.44				555.44	555.44	
Street Lights		8,210.78				8,210.78	8,210.78	
Reserve Fund		7,000.00		6,528.45		471.55		471.55
Light Commissioners Salary		300.00				300.00	300.00	
Water Commissioners Salary		300.00				300.00	300.00	
Water Dept.		39,126.00				39,126.00	32,844.51	6,281.49
Pumping Station Water Flow		600.00				600.00	585.00	15.00
Observation Wells			2,000.00			2,000.00	1,554.06	445.94
New 3/4 Ton Truck - Water Dept.		3,950.00				3,950.00	3,574.11	375.89
Wash & Replace Wells	2,000.00			2,000.00				
Cemetery Expense		5,900.00				5,900.00	5,900.00	
Cemetery New Gates			730.00			730.00		730.00
Cemetery Care, Improvement & Embellishment	1,586.77	800.00				2,386.77		2,386.77
Loans - Elementary School		17,000.00				17,000.00	17,000.00	
Elementary School Addition		5,000.00				5,000.00	5,000.00	
Elementary School Red Oak		45,000.00				45,000.00	45,000.00	
Water Meters		4,000.00				4,000.00	4,000.00	
Fire Truck		4,000.00				4,000.00	4,000.00	

OTHER PAYMENTS NOT APPROPRIATED

TABLE OF ACCOUNTS (Continued)

	Balance Jan. 1, 1970	Appropriation	Transferred In	Transferred Out	Refunds & Receipts	Total	Payments	Balance Dec. 31, 1970
School Lunch	1,514.01				35,915.01	37,429.02	33,023.27	4,405.75
Revenue Loan					325,000.00	325,000.00	325,000.00	
Highway Chapter 616	2,757.40			2,757.40				
Chapter 768				1,242.60	2,757.40	1,514.80		
Welfare: ADC US	2,938.80					2,938.80		2,938.80
ADC US Admx.	2,794.86					2,794.86		2,794.86
DA US	450.37					450.37		450.37
DA US Admx.	1,133.88					1,133.88		1,133.88
MA US	19,350.97					19,350.97	67.00	19,283.97
MA US Admx.	1,050.11					1,050.11		1,050.11
OAA US	1,398.98					1,398.98		1,398.98
OAA US Admx.	1,629.34					1,629.34		1,629.34
School: P.L. 89-10 Title VI A	76.93			1,538.45	7,700.00	6,238.48	6,238.48	
P.L. 874	69.97				3,179.00	3,248.97	616.00	2,632.97
P.L. 89-10 Title I					8,576.00	8,576.00	8,576.00	
P.L. 89-10 Title II					533.12	533.12	530.96	2.16
P.L. 89-10	11.33					11.33	11.33	
Red Oak School	36,554.07					36,554.07	33,502.00	3,052.07
Building Committee	415.53					415.53	11.10	404.43
Library State Aid				815.25	815.25			
Interest Consumer Deposit	229.91				386.39	616.30	33.12	583.18
Income Kimball Park Trust Funds	66.66					66.66	50.00	16.66
Light Department	16,999.36		6,335.57	15,820.00	244,061.83	251,576.76	226,516.43	25,060.33
Water Meters - Bond Issue	44.96					44.96	44.96	
Cemetery Care - Harry Robinson Lot	1,586.77				800.00	2,386.77		2,386.77
New Fire Alarm System			2,000.00				983.20	1,016.80
	106,861.57	1,353,063.36	50,677.97	33,952.35	853,976.40	2,328,629.95	2,197,567.46	133,059.49

	Balance Jan. 1, 1970	Added	Interest	Withdrawn	Balance Dec. 31, 1970
LIGHT DEPRECIATION FUND					
Merrimac Savings Bank	11,355.76	14,523.50	698.42	6,335.57	20,242.11
Economy Co-Op Bank (P.S.)	16,000.00				16,000.00
Economy Co-Op Bank (Savings)	1,732.26		920.33		2,652.59
	29,088.02	14,523.50	1,618.75	6,335.57	38,894.70
TRUST FUNDS					
POST WAR REHABILITATION FUND					
Merrimac Savings Bank	1,082.52		56.37		1,142.89
STABILIZATION FUND					
Merrimac Savings Bank	11,262.60		627.94		11,890.54
Economy Co-Op Bank	10,666.54	5,000.00	581.79		16,248.33
	21,929.14	5,000.00	1,209.73		28,138.87

	Balance Jan. 1, 1970	Added	Interest	Withdrawn	Balance Dec. 31, 1970
SCHOOL RENOVATIONS BUILDING FUND					
Merrimac Savings Bank	77.11		4.00		81.11
KIMBALL PARK					
Merrimac Savings Bank	4,448.49		230.88		4,679.37
LIBRARY FUNDS					
Merrimac Savings Bank	219.40		11.36		230.76
Willie Colby	548.53		28.45		576.98
Dr. H. J. Cushing	219.40		11.36		230.76
A. E. Goodwin	548.53		28.45		576.98
Francis E. Hanley	319.50		16.56		336.06
Sarah Leavitt	548.53		28.45		576.98
Nichols Memorial	1,097.07		56.94		1,154.01
Laura Patten	548.53		28.45		576.98
D. J. Poore	548.53		28.45		576.98
James Whittier	25,155.96		1,346.27		26,502.23
Thomas H. Hoyt					

Albert P. Wadleigh					
Economy Co-Op Bank:					
Thomas H. Hoyt	8,090.61		453.34		8,543.95
	37,844.59	2,000.00	2,065.58		41,910.17
HARRY J. ROBINSON LOT					
Merrimac Savings Bank	1,500.00		76.88	76.88	1,500.00
CEMETERY FUNDS					
Merrimac Savings Bank	57,321.87		3,152.66	3,152.66	57,321.87
Economy Co-Op Bank	20,103.00		913.36	913.36	21,198.75
Economy Co-Op Bank Additions:					
Henry Bertram and Barbara Riel		200.00			
Clara Hicks		27.00			
Gilmore Lot		218.75			
Amilia Oxley		250.00			
Nellie E. Demenie		200.00			
Perley H. Hargraves		100.00			
Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Hart		100.00			
	77,424.87	1,095.75	4,066.02	4,066.02	78,520.62

	Balance Jan. 1, 1970	Added	Interest	Withdrawn	Balance Dec. 31, 1970
RECAP TRUST FUNDS					
Cash in Custody of Treasurer	144,410.72				
		Post War Rehabilitation			1,142.89
		Stabilization Fund			28,138.87
		School Renovations			81.11
		Kimball Park			4,679.37
		Library Funds			41,910.17
		H. J. Robinson Lot			1,500.00
		Cemetery Funds			78,520.62
					155,973.03

RECAPITULATION

Account Balances 1-1-70		106,861.57	
Appropriations		1,353,063.36	
Refunds and Receipts		853,976.40	
		2,313,901.33	
TRANSFERRED TO ACCOUNTS:			FROM ACCOUNTS:
Registrars Expense	7.65		Reserve Fund
Bonding Town Officers	49.00		Reserve Fund
Police Dept.	200.00		Reserve Fund
Board of Health	2,375.20		Overlay Surplus
Dump Maint. Salary	171.80		Reserve Fund
Road Machinery Maint.	2,095.30		Surplus Rev.
Chapter 81	9,075.00		Surplus Rev.
Chapter 90 Const.	12,000.00		Surplus Rev.
Chapter 90 Const.	4,000.00		Ch. 616 & 768
Chapter 90 Maint.	500.00		Surplus Rev.
Snow and Washouts	2,500.00		Reserve Fund
Veterans Benefits Exp.	1,300.00		Reserve Fund
School Dept.	1,538.45		Title VI A
Ambulance Service	200.00		Reserve Fund
Costs of St. and Fed. Grants	1,000.00		Surplus Rev.
Christmas Parade	100.00		Reserve Fund
Weatherproof Brox Bldg.	2,500.00		Surplus Rev.

RECAPITULATION (Continued)

Observation Wells	2,000.00	Wash Wells
New Gates - Cemetery	730.00	Surplus Rev.
Light Dept.	6,335.57	Light Dept. Fund
New Fire Alarm System	2,000.00	Reserve Fund
		50,677.97
		2,364,579.30
FROM ACCOUNTS:		TO ACCOUNTS:
Plans for Treatment Plant	200.20	Board of Health
Weatherproof Brox Bldg.	2,500.00	New Hgwy. Truck
Youth Center	550.00	Comm. to study sale of Light Dept.
Reserve Fund	6,528.45	Various Depts.
Wash and Replace Wells	2,000.00	Observation Wells
Highway Ch. 616 & 768	4,000.00	Ch. 90 Const.
Title VI A	1,538.45	School
Library State Aid	815.25	Library
Light Dept.	15,820.00	Revenue
		-33,952.35
		2,330,626.95
		-133,059.49
		2,197,567.46
Account Balances Dec. 31, 1970		
Total Payments for year 1970		

FINAL TRIAL BALANCE, DECEMBER 31, 1970

ASSETS		LIABILITIES	
Cash	\$217,513.24	County Taxes	\$ 29.28
Cash Light Depreciation Fund	38,894.70	Indian Head Park Fees	526.00
Petty Cash Town Office	10.00	Consumer Deposits	2,140.00
Petty Cash Tax Collector	25.00	Water Meter Fund	5,589.75
Petty Cash Light & Water	125.00	Tailings	230.90
Personal 1965	6.24	Income Library Trust Funds	133.79
Personal 1966	49.14	Income Cemetery Trust Funds	2,763.83
Personal 1967	49.68	School Lunch	4,405.75
Personal 1969	1,940.84	Cemetery Sale of Lots	590.00
Personal 1970	2,003.40	Loan Authorized but Unissued	651,900.00
Real 1969	18,373.97	Overlay Surplus	.09
Real 1970	63,793.26	Overlay 1963	177.50
Excise 1966	529.94	Overlay 1964	162.40
Excise 1967	1,730.60	Overlay 1965	12.48
Excise 1968	2,534.66	Overlay 1966	14.04
Excise 1969	7,716.31	Overlay 1967	90.72
Excise 1970	14,985.99	Overlay 1968	3,306.81
Farm Animal Excise 1968	146.00	Overlay 1969	7,701.01
Farm Animal Excise 1970	80.50	Overlay 1970	6,943.10
Tax Titles	8,095.58	Excise Revenue	27,497.50

FINAL TRIAL BALANCE (Continued)

ASSETS		LIABILITIES	
Tax Possessions	8,711.94	Farm Animal Excise Revenue	226.50
Taxes in Litigation	3,853.89	Special Tax Revenue	3,853.89
Cemetery Accounts Receivable	1,377.00	Tax Title Revenue	16,807.52
Veterans Accounts Receivable	1,111.22	Departmental Revenue	2,531.66
M. A. Accounts Receivable	43.44	Light Revenue	17,437.53
Light Accounts Receivable light	12,165.20	Water Revenue	2,873.92
Light Accounts Receivable power	4,397.49	St. & Cty. Aid to Hgwy. Revenue	21,870.88
Light Accounts Receivable misc.	874.84	Reserve for Petty Cash Advance	160.00
Water Accounts Receivable rates	1,847.24	Surplus Revenue	170,861.08
Water Accounts Receivable misc.	560.83	Tax Title Possessions	140.00
Water Meter Rentals Acc. Rec.	78.00	Civil Defense	302.06
Water Liens 1969	285.90	Ch. 90 Construction	20,345.16
Water Liens 1970	101.95	Traffic Markers & Street Signs	73.90
St. Aid to Hgwy. Ch. 81 Acc. Rec.	9,176.14	Purchase New Highway Truck & Plow	8,500.00
St. Aid to Hgwy. Ch. 90 Maint. Acc. Rec.	514.29	A D C US	2,938.80
St. Aid to Hgwy. Ch. 90 Con. Acc. Rec.	6,786.97	A D D US Admx.	2,794.86
Cty. Aid to Hgwy. Ch. 90 Con. Acc. Rec.	5,393.48	D A US	450.37
St. Parks & Reservations	387.90	D A US Admx.	1,133.88
Essex Cty. Mosquito Control	1,143.75	M A US	19,283.97
Loans Authorized	651,900.00	M A US Admx.	1,050.11
		O A A US	1,398.98

O A A US Admx.	1,629.34
Veterans Benefits	475.16
School P.L. 874	2,632.97
School P.L. 89 - 10 Title I	2.16
Red Oak School	3,052.07
Red Oak School Bldg. Committee	404.43
Indian Head Park Expense	336.21
Interest - Consumer Deposit	583.18
Industrial Development Commission	2,555.46
Cost of State & Federal Grants	1,000.00
Kimball Park Trust Fund	16.66
Study Feasibility of Sale of Light Dept.	497.40
Light Dept. Maintenance	25,060.33
Light Depreciation Fund	38,894.70
Observation Wells - Driving & Testing	119.25
Cemetery - Care, Improvement, Emb.	2,386.77
Cemetery - Care H. Robinson Lot	419.41
	1,089,315.52

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Respectfully submitted,

GERTRUDE C. MacKENZIE
Town Accountant

In Memoriam

To Those
Who Have Held a Public Office
in the
Town of Merrimac

Judge F. Leslie Viccaro
Died January 7, 1970

Howard L. DeLong, Sr.
Died May 9, 1970

WARRANT
for
ANNUAL TOWN MEETING

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 23, 1970

ESSEX, ss.

To Arthur D. Evans, one of the Constables of the Town of Merrimac:

GREETINGS:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are hereby required to notify and warn the legal voters of the Town of Merrimac to meet in RED OAK SCHOOL in Merrimac on

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 23, 1970

at 8:00 o'clock in the evening to act on the following articles, namely:

ARTICLE 1. To see if the Town will vote to fix the salary and compensation of all elective officers of the Town as provided by Section 108 of Chapter 41, General Laws as amended: Moderator, Town Clerk, three Selectmen, three Assessors, Treasurer, Tax Collector, Tree Warden, three Commissioners of Municipal Light, three Water Commissioners, and raise and appropriate sums of money therefore, and to determine sums of money to be raised to defray the necessary and usual charges and expenses of the Town for the year 1970 and make appropriations for same said sums of money so raised and appropriated to be expended for specific purposes to be voted.

ARTICLE 2. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Town Treasurer with the approval of the Selectmen to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of the Revenue of the financial year beginning January 1, 1970 and to issue a note or notes therefore, payable within one year, and to renew any note or notes as may be given for a period of less than one year, in accordance with Section 17, Chapter 44, General Laws. (Voted)

ARTICLE 3. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen and their successors in office to sell, until the 1971 Annual Town Meeting, at public or private sale any of the property which the Town may have acquired or may hereafter acquire through proceedings based upon non-payment of taxes or under proceedings for the sale of lands of low value, to impose upon the property so sold such restrictions, reservations or conditions as shall be deemed expedient, and to execute and deliver in the name and under the seal of the Town

quit-claim deeds or other instruments therefor, or to see what action the Town will take in the matter. (Voted)

ARTICLE 4. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Assessors to use a sum of money from available balances and from "FREE CASH" in the treasury toward the reduction of the 1970 tax rate. (Voted)

ARTICLE 5. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, or transfer from unappropriated available funds in the treasury, a sum of money for the maintenance of road machinery to keep road machinery in operation. (Voted)

ARTICLE 6. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to be expended on highway work on thickly settled streets. (Voted)

ARTICLE 7. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, transfer from unappropriated available funds in the treasury, or borrow a sum of money for Chapter 81 highway construction and maintenance. (Voted)

ARTICLE 8. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, transfer from unappropriated available funds in the treasury, or borrow a sum of money for Chapter 90 highway construction. (Voted)

ARTICLE 9. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, transfer from unappropriated available funds in the treasury, or borrow a sum of money for Chapter 90 maintenance. (Voted)

ARTICLE 10. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum of money from the sale of cemetery lots, such sum or part thereof, to be expended under the direction of the Cemetery Trustees for the "Care, Improvement and Embellishment" of said cemeteries, according to Section 14, and Section 25 of Chapter 114, G.L.'s. (Voted)

ARTICLE 11. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum of money from Electric Light Operating balance, said money to be used by the Assessors with the estimated receipts to fix the tax rate for the year 1970. (Voted)

ARTICLE 12. To see if the Town will vote to approve the transfer of dog license fees collected in 1969 to the Merrimac Public Library as provided in Chapter 140, Section 172 of the General Laws. (Voted)

ARTICLE 13. To see if the Town will vote to accept benefits provided under Chapter 760, Acts of 1960 entitled "An act providing State aid for free public libraries." (Voted)

ARTICLE 14. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to be expended by the highway department to defray the cost of construction of a sidewalk on the easterly side of Winter Street, from Lincoln Street to Nichols Street or beyond. (Voted)

ARTICLE 15. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, or raise by bond issue, a sum of money to be expended by the Selectmen for the purchase of a 3/4 ton, 4 wheel drive pickup truck and plow for the highway department. (Tabled)

ARTICLE 16. To see if the Town will vote to transfer from the Stabilization Fund a sum of money to be expended by the Selectmen for the purchase of a new truck chassis and plow for the highway department. (Tabled)

ARTICLE 17. To see if the Town will vote to amend Section 10, Article IV of the Town By-Laws to read as follows:

"All regular employees, including police and firemen but excluding school employees, whose regular work week is 40 or more hours per week shall have their rate of pay established by the Selectmen with the exception of the municipal light department employees and water department employees whose rate of pay shall be set by the Light & Water Commissioners of the town. All full time town employees, shall be entitled to two weeks vacation with pay per year provided that they have been employed by the town for at least one year and shall be entitled to three weeks paid annual vacation after fifteen years of service. Full time employees with at least six months and not more than one year of service shall be entitled to five days paid annual vacation, and in addition, shall be entitled to five days sick leave with pay. Employees with over one year of service shall be entitled to fifteen days sick leave with pay per year. Time allowed for sick leave may be accumulated to not over thirty days. Time allowed for vacation and holiday pay shall not be cumulative. All employees with six months or more service shall be entitled to holiday pay for the following holidays or days celebrated as such: New Year's Day; Washington's Birthday; Memorial Day; Independence Day; Labor Day; Columbus Day; Veterans' Day; Thanksgiving Day; and, Christmas Day. (Voted)

ARTICLE 18. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate

a sum of money for the constructing and originally equipping and furnishing a fire station on land situated on the Westerly side of Broad Street Extension in said Merrimac recently acquired from Fred A. Smith and to raise this appropriation the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen is authorized to borrow a sum of money under provision of Chapter 44 of the General Laws as amended; that the Selectmen be authorized to enter into all contracts and agreements necessary for the project, and the Selectmen be authorized to appoint a building committee. (Voted)

ARTICLE 19. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Moderator to appoint a committee of seven members to study the feasibility of selling the municipal light department; one member from the Board of Selectmen; one member from the Finance Board; one member from the Light & Water Commissioners; and, four members at large and to raise and appropriate, or transfer from available funds, a sum of money to cover expenses of said committee. (Voted)

ARTICLE 20. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate sufficient funds to be expended together with Federal and State funds which may be available for architectural and engineering cost for preparing final plans and specifications for construction of a waste treatment facility in the Town of Merrimac. (Voted)

ARTICLE 21. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum of money to determine whether such appropriation will be raised by borrowing or otherwise and to take any other action relative thereto. (Voted)

ARTICLE 22. To see if the Town will vote to purchase or take by Eminent Domain a certain parcel of land containing 4.2 acres, more or less, situated on the Northerly side of the access road from Broad Street to Route 495, being land owned by Pace Industrial Corporation, for the purpose of establishing a sewage disposal system for the town of Merrimac, and to appropriate a sum of money to defray the cost thereof or take any action in connection therewith. (Tabled)

ARTICLE 23. To see if the Town will vote to purchase or take by Eminent Domain certain parcels of land adjoining the old Town dump, so-called, on Mill Street in said Merrimac with sufficient area to establish a sewage disposal system for the Town of Merrimac and to appropriate a sum of money to defray the cost thereof or take any action in connection therewith. (Voted)

ARTICLE 24. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the

Selectmen to apply to the Mass. Division of Water Pollution Control for an advance of a State Plan in the preparation of final plans and specifications in connection with a waste treatment facility for the Town of Merrimac. (Voted)

ARTICLE 25. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to correct the flow of water into the boiler at pumping station or take any action relative thereto. (Voted)

ARTICLE 26. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the purchase of a 3/4 ton truck and utility body for the Merrimac Water Department, or take any action relative thereto. (Voted)

ARTICLE 27. To see if the Town will appropriate a sum of money for developing additional well fields; constructing buildings for a pumping station, including original pumping station equipment; laying water mains of not less than six inches in diameter; and constructing a storage standpipe; and to determine whether such appropriation shall be raised by borrowing or otherwise. (Voted)

ARTICLE 28. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to purchase, or take by eminent domain, an acre of land and necessary rights-of-way and easements owned by Robert R. and Jane E. Sargent and situated near the junction of County Road and Harriman Road in Merrimac for the purpose of constructing a million gallon water standpipe or take any action relative thereto. (Withdrawn)

ARTICLE 29. To see if the Town will vote to transfer from available funds a sum of money to be used by the Cemetery Trustees to defray the cost of constructing new gates at the Locust Street cemetery. (Voted)

ARTICLE 30. On petition of Edgar D. Sargent and others, to see if the voters of the Town of Merrimac will vote to require the Assessors to publish, in the Haverhill Gazette, a listing of the owners and assessed value of each parcel of taxable property in Merrimac. (Tabled)

ARTICLE 31. On petition of Merrill B. Smith and others, to see if the voters of the Town of Merrimac will vote to amend Section 2, Article I to read as follows:

“Quorum at Town Meetings, Annual and Special - Five percent (5%) of the registered voters of the Town of Merrimac must be present at all Annual Town Meetings, and all Special Town Meetings.” (Voted)

ARTICLE 32. On petition of Raymond H. Estabrook and others, to see if the voters of the Town of Merrimac will vote to require that the appointed Town Counsel be a non-resident of the Town of Merrimac. (Tabled)

ARTICLE 33. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to appoint a committee to study the feasibility of disposing of the old high school building and land; said committee to consist of one Selectman, one realtor and one member of the Playground Commission. (Voted - changing "Feasibility" to "Adviseability")

ARTICLE 34. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate, or transfer from available funds, a sum of money for the Stabilization Fund. (Voted)

ARTICLE 25. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Assessors to hire themselves to perform duties outside of office pertaining to assessing procedure and to set the rate of pay for such employment at \$2.50 per hour. (Voted)

ARTICLE 36. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Tree Warden to employ himself to perform labor or render services to the tree department and to establish the rate of compensation for such labor or services at \$2.00 per hour. (Voted)

ARTICLE 37. To see if the Town will vote, under Massachusetts General Laws (Terr. Ed.) Chapter 121B, Section 3 as amended, to establish a Housing Authority and in that connection to make any and all determinations and declarations deemed necessary or desirable, and take any action in relation thereto. (Voted)

ARTICLE 38. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Water Department to set up observation wells at the present well field to determine the feasibility of installing a gravel packed well and that a sum of money be transferred from available funds to defray the cost of such wells. (Voted)

And you are hereby required to serve this Warrant by posting attested copies thereof in seven (7) public places in said town of Merrimac, at least seven (7) days before said time of meeting.

Hereof fail not and make due return of this Warrant with your doings thereon to the Town Clerk at the time and place of meeting

aforesaid.

Given under our hands this 10th day of February, 1970.

RAYMOND P. DAVID
WALLACE S. CARTER
BERNARD H. CONNOR
Board of Selectmen

A true copy: Attest:

ARTHUR D. EVANS
Constable

By virtue of the above warrant to me directed, I hereby notify and warn the legal voters of the Town of Merrimac to meet at the time and said place for the purpose therein expressed.

Posted this 15th day of February, 1970 at the following seven (7) places:

- | | |
|------------------------|----------------------|
| 1. Town Hall | 4. Masonic Hall |
| 2. Village Wash Bucket | 5. Cozy Cleaners |
| 3. Food Mart | 6. Do-Ray Restaurant |
| 7. Village Store | |

Merrimac, Massachusetts

ARTHUR D. EVANS
Constable

WARRANT FOR SPECIAL TOWN MEETING

APRIL 14, 1970

ESSEX, ss:

To: Arthur D. Evans, one of the Constables of the Town of Merrimac:

GREETINGS:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are hereby required to notify and warn the legal voters of the Town of Merrimac to meet in RED OAK SCHOOL in Merrimac on

TUESDAY, APRIL 14, 1970

at 8:00 o'clock in the evening to act on the following articles, namely:

ARTICLE 1. On petition of Kenneth Langlois and others, to see if the Town will vote to amend the zoning by-laws and the zoning map of the town of Merrimac by changing the commercial zone to include the land area located on the southerly side of East Main Street between Broad Street and the property of the North Shore Trailer Park, East Main Street, for a distance of 400 feet in depth from East Main St.

(Voted)

ARTICLE 2. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to designate certain elected or appointed officers of the town to be covered under Workmen's Compensation Act as set forth in Chapter 401, Acts of 1966.

(Voted)

ARTICLE 3. To see if the Town will vote to rescind the vote of Article 1, special town meeting held June 3, 1969.

(Voted)

ARTICLE 4. To see if the Town will vote to transfer a sum of money from the appropriation to weatherproof the so-called "Brox" building and a sum of money from the Stabilization fund for the purchase of a truck for the highway department.

(Amended and voted to appoint a 5 man committee to study the matter.)

ARTICLE 5. On petition of Henry D. Lay and others, to see if the Town will vote to amend the zoning by-laws and zoning map of the

Town of Merrimac to make both sides of Broad Street a commercial zone from East Main Street to Route 495 for a depth of 250 feet.

(Tabled)

ARTICLE 6. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds a sum of money for the purpose of defraying the costs of the use of the public school facilities for local civic, non-profit organizations wishing to use the school facilities, or take any action relative thereto.

(Not Voted)

ARTICLE 7. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to be used to defray the cost of the pursuit of State and/or Federal grants.

(Voted)

ARTICLE 8. On petition of Maurice R. Bisson and others, to see if the Town will vote to amend the zoning by-laws and the zoning map of the Town of Merrimac to permit the expansion of the present Mobile Home Park on East Main Street which is now in the Light Industrial District.

(Not Voted)

And you are hereby required to serve this Warrant by posting attested copies thereof in three (3) public places in said town of Merrimac, at least seven (7) days before said time of meeting.

Hereof fail not and make due return of this warrant with your doings thereon to the Town Clerk at the time and place of meeting aforesaid.

Given under our hands this 6th day of April, 1970.

WALLACE S. CARTER
BERNARD H. CONNOR
RAYMOND P. DAVID
Board of Selectmen

A true copy: Attest: ARTHUR D. EVANS, Constable

By virtue of the above warrant to me directed, I hereby notify and warn the legal voters of the Town of Merrimac to meet at the time and said place for the purpose therein expressed.

Posted this 7th day of April, 1970 at the following three (3) places:

1. Town Hall
2. Holiday Food Mart
3. Masonic Hall

WARRANT FOR SPECIAL TOWN MEETING
SEPTEMBER 29, 1970

ESSEX, ss:

To: Arthur D. Evans, one of the Constables of the Town of Merrimac:

GREETINGS:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are hereby required to notify and warn the legal voters of the Town of Merrimac to meet in RED OAK SCHOOL in Merrimac on

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 29, 1970

at 8:00 o'clock in the evening to act on the following articles, namely:

ARTICLE 1. To see if the Town will vote to transfer from unexpended available funds a sum of money to be expended by the Board of Selectmen for the purchase of a truck and plow for the highway department. (Voted)

ARTICLE 2. To hear the report of the committee, authorized at the annual town meeting in March, 1970, and appointed by the Selectmen to study the advisability of disposing of the old high School building. (Voted)

ARTICLE 3. On petition of Charles H. Russell and others to see if the Town will vote to accept the road commonly known as Lanes Ten Acres Road; running from Bear Hill Road east for one third of a mile to the Southeast corner of the property known as Lanes Ten Acres. (Tabled)

ARTICLE 4. To see if the Town will vote to transfer from unexpended available funds a sum of money to be used by the Board of Health for unexpected expenses. (Voted)

ARTICLE 5. To see if the Town will vote to accept the provisions of Section 8, Chapter 40A of the General Laws, which limits reconsideration of proposed change in zoning regulations after unfavorable action by the Town Meeting, or take any other action relative thereto. (Voted)

ARTICLE 6. To see if the Town will accept the provisions of Section 20, Chapter 40A of the General Laws, which limits reconsideration of zoning regulations receiving unfavorable decision from the Board of Appeals, or take any other action relative thereto.
(Not Voted)

ARTICLE 7. To see if the Town will vote to amend the zoning by-laws and zoning map of the Town of Merrimac so as to change the following area from Suburban Residential and to extend the present Commercial Zone from Bartlett Street along the South side of Broad Street to Ramp "D" at U.S. Route 495, 250 feet wide to the southerly boundary of land of Ralph and Mildred Harrington, or take any action relative thereto.
(Not Voted)

ARTICLE 8. To hear the report of the Water Resources Committee authorized at the annual town meeting in March, 1970. (Withdrawn)

ARTICLE 9. To see if the Town will vote to establish the position of Building Inspector for the town of Merrimac. (Voted)

ARTICLE 10. To see if the Town will authorize the Selectmen to appoint a committee to serve as a Merrimac Centennial Committee and to transfer from unexpended available funds a sum of money to be used to cover the expenses of said committee. (Voted)

And you are hereby required to serve this Warrant by posting attested copies thereof in three (3) public places in said town of Merrimac, at least seven (7) days before said time of meeting.

Hereof fail not and make due return of this Warrant with your doings thereon to the Town Clerk at the time and place of meeting aforesaid.

Given under our hands this 22nd day of September, 1970.

WALLACE S. CARTER
BERNARD H. CONNOR
RAYMOND P. DAVID
Board of Selectmen

A true copy: Attest:

Constable

By virtue of the above Warrant to me directed, I hereby notify and warn the legal voters of the Town of Merrimac to meet at the time and said place for the purpose therein expressed.

Posted this 22nd day of September, 1970 at the following three (3) places:

1. Town Hall
2. Holiday Food Mart
3. Cozy Cleaners

ANNUAL TOWN MEETING

WARRANT

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 22, 1971

ESSEX, ss.

To, Arthur D. Evans, one of the Constables of the Town of Merrimac:

GREETINGS:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are hereby required to notify and warn the legal voters of the Town of MERRIMAC to meet in RED OAK SCHOOL in Merrimac on

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 22, 1971

at 8:00 o'clock in the evening to act on the following articles, namely:

ARTICLE 1. To see if the Town will vote to fix the salary and compensation of all elective officers of the Town as provided by Section 108 of Chapter 41, General Laws as amended: Moderator, Town Clerk, three Selectmen, three Assessors, Treasurer, Tax Collector, Tree Warden, three Commissioners of Municipal Light, three Water Commissioners, and raise and appropriate sums of money therefore, and to determine sums of money to be raised to defray the necessary and usual charges and expenses of the Town for the year 1971 and make appropriations for same said sums of money so raised and appropriated to be expended for specific purposes to be voted.

ARTICLE 2. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Town Treasurer with the approval of the Selectmen to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of the Revenue of the financial year beginning January 1, 1971 and to issue a note or notes therefore, payable within one year, and to renew any note or notes as may be given for a period of less than one year, in accordance with Section 17, Chapter 44, General Laws.

ARTICLE 3. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen and their successors in office to sell, until the 1972 Annual Town Meeting, at public or private sale any of the property which the

Town may have acquired or may hereafter acquire through proceedings based upon non-payment of taxes or under proceedings for the sale of lands of low value, to impose upon the property so sold such restrictions, reservations or conditions as shall be deemed expedient, and to execute and deliver in the name and under the seal of the Town quit-claim deeds or other instruments therefore, or to see what action the Town will take in the matter.

ARTICLE 4. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Assessors to use a sum of money from available balances and from "FREE CASH" in the treasury toward the reduction of the 1971 tax rate.

ARTICLE 5. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, or transfer from unappropriated available funds in the treasury, a sum of money for the maintenance of road machinery to keep road machinery in operation.

ARTICLE 6. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to be expended on highway work on thickly settled streets.

ARTICLE 7. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, transfer from unappropriated available funds in the treasury, or borrow a sum of money for Chapter 81 highway construction and maintenance.

ARTICLE 8. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, transfer from unappropriated available funds in the treasury, or borrow a sum of money for Chapter 90 highway construction.

ARTICLE 9. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, transfer from unappropriated available funds in the treasury, or borrow a sum of money for Chapter 90 maintenance.

ARTICLE 10. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum of money from the sale of cemetery lots, such sum or part thereof, to be expended under the direction of the Cemetery Trustees for the "Care, Improvement and Embellishment" of said cemeteries, according to Section 14, and Section 25 of Chapter 114, G.L.'s.

ARTICLE 11. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum of

money from Electric Light Operating balance, said money to be used by the Assessors with the estimated receipts to fix the tax rate for the year 1971.

ARTICLE 12. To see if the Town will vote to approve the transfer of dog license fees collected in 1970 to the Merrimac Public Library as provided in Chapter 140, Section 172 of the General Laws.

ARTICLE 13. To see if the Town will vote to accept benefits provided under Chapter 760, Acts of 1960 entitled "An act providing State aid for free public libraries."

ARTICLE 14. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Assessors to hire themselves to perform duties outside of office pertaining to assessing procedure and to set the rate of pay for such employment at \$2.50 per hour.

ARTICLE 15. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Tree Warden to employ himself to perform labor or render services to the tree department and to establish the rate of compensation for such labor or services at \$2.00 per hour.

ARTICLE 16. To see if the Town will vote to hear the report of the seven man committee authorized by the voters and appointed by the Moderator to study the feasibility of selling the municipal light department.

ARTICLE 17. To see if the Town will vote to amend Section XV, Paragraph 2 of the Merrimac Zoning By-Laws to read as follow:

2. Excavation of Clay, Sand, Gravel or Rock. The excavation of clay, sand, gravel, rock or other natural mineral deposit for use on the premises, for grading of said premises not below the level of adjoining streets, or in connection with the construction or alteration of a street shall be permitted in any district. Such excavation shall be conducted in such a way as not to leave exposed boulders.

The removal of these materials from the premises shall not be permitted except by temporary permit of one year duration from the Board of Appeals as provided in Section 4 of Article XIX of

this Ordinance, and in any case subject to compliance with the following regulations:

- a. The final slope of material in any excavation or pit shall not exceed the normal limiting angle of repose of such material.
- b. Both the top and base of such slope shall not be nearer than fifty (50) feet to any street line or lot line.
- c. No depression shall be left below the surrounding ground level.
- d. Such other provisions shall be complied with, including the furnishing of security, as the Board of Appeals deems necessary to preserve the sightliness of the area and meet the requirements of safety; or take any action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 18. To see if the Town will vote to amend the Merrimac Zoning By-Laws by adding to "Section IX, Light Industrial District Uses" the following:

4. A municipal waste treatment facility shall be allowed in this district.

ARTICLE 19. To see if the Town will vote to convey to the Merrimac Housing Authority the land and building bounded by Walnut and Middle Streets and known as the Merrimac High School property for the purpose of building housing for the elderly under Chapter 121B of the General Laws and on the condition that in the event construction of housing for the elderly is not commenced within three years title to the property shall revert to the Inhabitants of the Town of Merrimac and to authorize Selectmen to execute a deed or other instruments necessary to complete said conveyance, or take any action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 20. To see if the Town will vote to accept the following by-law: "No person shall own or keep in the Town of Merrimac, outside the confines of the owners or keepers property, any dog which is not held firmly on a leash or under the immediate control of such owner or keeper. Excluding dogs that are used in police work and/or dogs that are being used for hunting purposes during the hunting season. Failure to comply with this by-law shall be punishable as

follows: 1st offense \$5.00 fine; 2nd offense and subsequent offenses a fine of \$10.00. Each 24 hour period shall constitute a separate offense.”

ARTICLE 21. To see if the Town will vote to purchase a certain parcel of land and buildings owned by the Merrimac Grange, Inc., located at the corner of Mechanics and Liberty Streets, containing 6060 square feet and being known as the Merrimac Grange Hall for the purpose of establishing a Community Center, especially for the elderly and young people of the Town of Merrimac and to appropriate a sum of money to defray the cost thereof, or take any action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 22. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the purchase of a police cruiser and to authorize the Selectmen and the Chief of Police to trade the present cruiser toward the purchase of the new cruiser or to sell the present cruiser at private or public sale.

ARTICLE 23. To see if the Town will vote to accept the provisions of Chapter 40, Section 6H of the General Laws which allows the Town to make repairs on private ways and raise and appropriate a sum of money to defray the cost thereof, or take any action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 24. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to be expended by the Water Department to defray the cost of cleaning, repairing and painting the walls and floors of the water stand pipe, or take any action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 25. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to repair the wooden roof on the water stand pipe, or take any action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 26. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to be expended by the Water Department to defray the cost of setting up observation wells at the present well field for the purpose of determining the feasibility of installing a gravel-packed well, or take any action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 27. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to appoint a committee of 5 members to study the feasibility of obtaining land and constructing a municipal building that

would house police department, fire department, highway department and all town offices; one member from Board of Selectmen, one member of Finance Committee, one member Planning Board and four members at large and to raise and appropriate, or transfer from available funds, a sum of money to defray expenses of said committee.

ARTICLE 28. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate or transfer from unappropriated available funds a sum of money for the stabilization fund.

ARTICLE 29. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen, on behalf of the town, to petition the Board of Standards of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts to propose regulations relative to the construction, alteration and maintenance of buildings and other structures in the Town of Merrimac, or take any action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 30. To see if the Town will vote to establish an Industrial Development Financing Authority of the Town of Merrimac under the provisions of Chapter 772 of the Acts of 1967 entitled "An Act providing for further industrial development of Cities and Towns", or take any action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 31. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate a sum of money to pay a 1970 unpaid bill charged to the Town under provisions of Chapter 32, Section 59A of the General Laws which provides for reimbursement by the Town for certain pensions paid by the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, or take any action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 32. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to pay an unpaid 1967 School Department bill, or take any action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 33. To see if the Town will vote to approve the filing of a petition in the General Court of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts under the provisions of Section 8 of Article 89 of the Amendments to the Constitution for an act to authorize, ratify and confirm or otherwise make valid the purchase by the Town of "acreage of land known as Sargent's Gravel Pit situated partly in Merrimac and partly in Newton, New Hampshire" which purchase was authorized by the 1965 Annual Town Meeting, or take any action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 34. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Town Counsel to represent the town at a hearing before a committee of the General Court of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts concerning an act to authorize, ratify and confirm or otherwise make valid the purchase by the Town of "acreage of land known as Sargent's Gravel Pit situated partly in Merrimac and partly in Newton, New Hampshire" which purchase was authorized by the 1965 Annual Town Meeting, or take any action relative thereto.

And you are hereby required to serve this Warrant by posting attested copies thereof in three (3) public places in said town of Merrimac, at least seven (7) days before said time of meeting.

Hereof fail not and make due return of this Warrant with your doings thereon to the Town Clerk at the time and place of meeting, aforesaid.

Given under our hands this day of February, 1971.

BERNARD H. CONNOR
RAYMOND P. DAVID
Board of Selectmen

A true copy: Attest.

Constable

By virtue of the above warrant to me directed, I hereby notify and warn the legal voters of the Town of Merrimac to meet at the time and said place for the purpose therein expressed.

Posted this day of February, 1971 at the following places;

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.

Constable

**Annual Report
of the
SCHOOL COMMITTEE
of the
TOWN OF MERRIMAC
For The Year Ending
December 31, 1970**

In accordance with custom and with the Acts of the General Court, 1859, Chapter 57, we herewith submit to you the 100th annual printed school report.

EIDA V. JERVEY, Chairman
DANIEL S. GULEZIAN, Vice Chairman
RAYMOND R. WALTON, Secretary
PETER W. TILTON
RHODERICK D. MacDONALD

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Helen R. Donaghue, Merrimac Elementary School
Office of the Superintendent, Pentucket Regional School

ANNUAL REPORT

To the Selectmen and the Citizens of Merrimac:

Your School Committee submits the following report for 1970. The duties of School Committees in Massachusetts are prescribed in the General Laws of the Commonwealth. The legal foundation upon which the Committee's duties rest is their general charge of all public schools. These duties suggest that the Committee formulate and effect general policies. The Committee employs a superintendent of schools, principals, teachers and others to actually operate the school system.

Since all powers over public schools by law are given to the Committee it acts not only as the executive authority for the school system but also as a deliberative (legislative) body. The authority and powers of the Committee are and can be exercised only by a majority of the members present at a meeting.

The broad categories of responsibilities of the Committee are defined in the General Laws. From early times which required primarily reading, writing and arithmetic, the responsibilities have been increased to include a wide variety of societal needs. The broadened curriculum is one aspect of this change. But as we examine the present conditions we must accept responsibilities for extended services.

Let us review together some of these other responsibilities: Special Education including the mentally retarded, emotionally disturbed, visually handicapped, deaf, physically handicapped, perceptually handicapped, speech handicapped; health, nutrition, school lunch, medical services and transportation. One other educational area upon which we have not commented on at any length in recent years — that is vocational education — will receive a more detailed examination later in this report.

EDUCATIONAL PROGRAM

Your School Committee continues to carry out the educational concepts put into effect a number of years ago. This program was devised to accommodate the vast differences in pupil abilities and achievement within the individual, and in relation with other pupils in his age group. As we know each child is different, and each child responds differently to the various pressures and modes of learning.

Some pupils react favorably to the visual type of instruction, others respond to the verbal type of instruction, others may respond to one or both of these types but at varying rates. These conditions reflect both innate and acquired potentials.

Teaching materials and methods are constantly being introduced to meet the instructional demands mentioned in the previous paragraph. This has been true especially in the past 15 years. Each producer of an idea, whether it is a method or materials, extols the values inherent in his idea. As each of you know from reading current articles there are many prophets for their own products. Their exhortations for products and ideas must be evaluated to select those ideas of benefit to the local schools.

The most promising educational idea for the individualization of instruction involves both teaching methods and materials. As you know the local schools have been ungraded since 1955. Now as a result of eight years of research, much of it supported by Federal funding, Research for Better Schools (Philadelphia) has developed a program known as Individually Prescribed Instruction (I.P.I.). These materials and methods fully implement the theoretical and practical aspects of the ungraded school.

The materials developed under the research project have been published and since 1968 have been available for usage in approved schools. In 1970 Merrimac qualified for the I.P.P. program in mathematics and the program was installed for all sixth grade pupils. Although at this writing our experience with the program is limited, a renewed motivation for mathematics is evident, more responsibility is placed on pupil and the tone of the entire program is encouraging.

PUPIL AND FACILITIES

The present classrooms in both schools, the Union Street School and Red Oak, are fully occupied. There are 631 pupils in Grades 1-6 and 98 pupils in the kindergartens. We report this to the Town because the present enrollment has reached the 630 pupil anticipated enrollment for 1975 as developed by the Red Oak Building Committee and which number was used to plan the number of classrooms. As each of you can see we have attained the anticipated maximum enrollment 5 years ahead of schedule.

We have critically examined the implications of this information for the next few years. On the basis of the present enrollment, the projected enrollments, and the birth rate there is no indication that additional classrooms will be necessary. One solid reason for taking this position is that the Merrimac birth rate in the past 5 years has been below 60 each year. This is substantially below the previous 5-year average of 73. If the relationship of the birth rate to the student population remains approximately the same as it has been, new classrooms will not be necessary in the near future.

We emphasize that this condition depends upon no sudden influx of large numbers of children. Any large number of pupils in-migrating into Merrimac would negate the above position.

WHITTIER VOCATIONAL-TECHNICAL SCHOOL

The will of the taxpayers of Merrimac, as expressed by a Town Meeting vote in 1968 was not to enter into an agreement with surrounding communities to establish a regional vocational-technical school. The school itself was approved in 1970. In a short time it will be operative. Since the members of this Committee have been approached as to their position on Merrimac's entrance into the vocational-technical school, we submit this position on the issue.

We support Merrimac's entrance into the Whittier School Agreement. Studies of the Merrimac graduates of the Pentucket Regional School shows that less than 40% of the graduates enter 4-year degree granting institutions. Another 10 per cent enter junior or community colleges. The other 50% represents the possible benefactors of such a program. In addition to the graduates mentioned above, we can add those who chose to attend vocational schools and those who dropped out of high school and/or college. Thus, we find that more than 50 per cent of this age group might benefit from such a school program.

Viewed from another position the case for supporting Whittier can be grounded on the fact that many of our students find the academic school difficult or distasteful. Some have little interest and little aptitude for academic learning. They have met with more and more difficulty as they progressed through school, and many face with desperation four or more years of schooling. As you know Pentucket has adjusted its program over the years to meet some of these pupils

but even more significant changes, along the Whittier type of program, would be necessary at Pentucket before we could adequately provide for these students. The plight of these students is not a new finding but there is a new urgency in their condition.

When the need for unskilled laborers and production workers was high there was less need to design programs for these pupils. These pupils would drop out and were absorbed by industry. Today the labor market has no need for uneducated workers. But there is a tremendous demand for skilled workers and we know that the percentage of workers entering service occupations is constantly increasing, in fact one recent report held that over 60% of the present labor force is in the production of services.

Unfortunately we may be finding that the image of vocational education locally is one that was reflected for the State of Massachusetts as a whole (see Occupational Education for Massachusetts, Schaefer, Carl J. and Kaufman, Jacob J., 1968). That image is reported as something less than a good image. Reasons for this attitude have been investigated and reported elsewhere but nevertheless these findings are real and significant. For too long the nation has been led to believe that the only good education is capped by four years of college.

Failure to educate so many of our youth to the level of adequate employability is a waste of money as well as of human resources. The cost of unemployment, of blighted lives, of discontent, of remedial instruction and training is enormous. It is interesting to note, too, that one-third of the country's labor force is constituted by women. One might ask, where are we doing justice in providing useful occupational programs for them?

The need for supporting the concept of education envisaged for the vocational-technical school is clear. We need it now; the need in the future will increase.

REIMBURSEMENTS

We reviewed with you—earlier in this report—the broadened responsibilities of School Committees as these are defined by the statutes. Some of these educational programs have been placed within

the jurisdiction of the schools because no other public, or private, agency could provide the needed services as reasonably and efficiently as the schools. We did not ask for the inclusion of these services in the schools but we do accept the responsibility placed upon us. The welfare of the child, the community and the Commonwealth is served best by this arrangement.

Now, the legislators were aware of the State's responsibility for providing education for the children of the State since education is a function of the State. Although recognizing this responsibility and providing some assistance to the communities involved, the State has never quite adequately assumed its financial responsibility. However, the State has made some moves in the direction of assisting communities with this financial burden. The most important piece of legislation was of course, the Sales Tax law of 1966 amending Chapter 70 for general school purposes. In addition to the Sales Tax, other laws provide for reimbursements, many of them 50% of the cost. The Committee cannot certify but these are the reported amounts which should have been received for operating expenses in 1970.

Chapter 70 (Sales Tax)	\$319,999.63
Regional School Membership (Chap. 71)	42,453.09
Vocational Transportation (1968-9)	354.00
Vocational Tuition (1968-9)	2,669.00
Transportation	7,094.53
Special Education (Chap. 71: Sec. 46)	8,979.00
State Wards (Chap. 74)	5,126.16
Tuition (Chap. 71: Sec. 46)	2,200.00
	Total \$388,875.41

In addition to the above reimbursements for operational functions during 1970, other monies were received for special purposes as shown here.

School Construction	\$33,157.16
School Lunch	Sales 22,484.99
	U.S.D.A. 10,145.98
P.L. No. 874 Federally Impacted area	3,179.00
Other Federal Projects	
P.L. 89-10 Elementary and Secondary School Act	
Title I (Summer School)	\$8,576.00
Title II (Library)	533.12
Title VIA (Exceptional Children)	9,700.00

SUMMARY

In this brief educational report for 1970 we have touched upon some of the more pressing educational situations as they relate to this Town and the state in general. As we pointed out in our beginning paragraphs the scope of education and therefore the responsibilities of School Committees have been extended from time to time to include many areas once considered outside the province of the schools. We have observed over a period of years that these new legislative demands have caused the most misunderstanding. We do not deny that some of the programs are controversial but they are the laws of the Commonwealth.

This Committee is not unmindful of the financial efforts that have been made and need to be made in educating our children. We acknowledge that there have been and still are differences of opinion on the content of our educational programs. The programs now supported implement the laws of the Commonwealth and the needs of our children. We have carried out the wishes of the majority as expressed or implied in their communications to us.

Respectfully submitted,

EIDA V. JERVEY, Chairman
DANIEL S. GULEZIAN
RHODERICK D. MacDONALD
PETER W. TILTON
RAYMOND R. WALTON

DIRECTORY OF SCHOOL STAFF – MERRIMAC ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

Position	Name	Training	Total Yrs. Experience	Years In Merrimac
Principal	Helen R. Donaghue	Bridgewater Normal 1929	32.5	25.5
Assistant Principal	David Shaw	M. Salem State College 1965	11	Resigned 6/30/70
INTERMEDIATE UNIT:				
	Dawn Rae Allen	Salem State College	2	2
	Kay N. Herlihy	B.A. Rivier College 1964	6	3
	Nancy W. Deminie	B.A. University of N.H. 1953	11	11
	Jane K. Sheedy	B.A. University of Mass. 1967	2	2
	Nancy A. Draper	B.S. Keene State College 1969	1.5	1
	Genevieve Smithson	Posse School of Phys. Ed. 1938	17	11
	John L. Randall, III	B. Ed. Keene Teachers College 1962	8	2
	Edward Martin	B.S. Salem Teachers College 1965	4	4
	Patricia M. Condon	B.S. Gordon College 1953	13	6
	Annette A. Autiello	B.S. Suffolk University 1966	4	2
	Mary H. Coughlin	A.B. Merrimack College 1961	9	2
		M.A. Salem State College 1964		
	Charles A. Eksoozian	B.A. Boston University 1953	13	Resigned 6/30/70
		M. Boston University 1958		
		C.A.G.S. Boston University 1962		
	Anne F. Clark	B.A. Hope College, Michigan 1970	0	Began 9/1/70

DIRECTORY OF SCHOOL STAFF – MERRIMAC ELEMENTARY SCHOOL (Continued)

Position	Name	Training	Total Yrs. Experience	Years In Merrimac
	Anne R. Tufts	B.A. University of Mass. 1967	2	Resigned 6/30/70
	Caroline Butler	A.B. Radcliffe College	6	Resigned 6/30/70
	Lucia A. DePamphilis	B.S. State Coll. at Framingham 1967	1	1
	Rosalie M. Scher	B.S. Farmington Teachers Coll. 1960	3	Began 9/1/70
PRIMARY UNIT:				
	Charlotte R. Goltz	M.Ed. Boston University	16	13
	Constance L. Hardy	B.A. Wellesley College	1	1
	Suzann M. Tinney	B.S. University of Maine 1969	5	2
	Ann M. Ludeking	B.S. Lowell State College 1965	8	2
	Margot Hammon	B.S. Bridgewater State College 1961	2	2
	Linda M. Brackett	B.A. Gordon College 1968	0	Began 9/1/70
	Ellenmarie A. Sullivan	B.S. Lowell State College 1970	2	2
	Barbara R. Taylor	B.Ed. Keene State College 1968	4	3
	Ingrid Andersen	B.S. Gordon College 1967	1	Resigned 6/30/70
	Lilyan H. Cummings	B.S. Gordon College 1969	2	2
	Marion F. Johnson	Tufts University	21	13
		B.S. University of N.H. 1949		
		M.Ed. Salem State College 1965		

	Louise D. Swartz	B.A. Colby College 1969	2.5	Resigned 6/30/70
	Joanne Fitzgerald	B.S. Salem State College 1969	1	1
	Joanna Hamm	B.S. Framingham State College 1969	1	Resigned 6/30/70
	Constance C. Dublin	B.S. Lowell State College 1960	9	2
	Jean M. Connor	B.S. Salem State College 1970	0	Began 9/1/70
	Christine J. Williams	B.S. State University of Iowa 1966	2	Began 9/1/70
Art Supervisor	Nancy Perkins	M.Ed. University of Mass.	11	6
	Veronica E. Laite	B.A. Madonna College, Mich. 1967	6	1
	Priscilla D. Hull	B.S. Emerson College 1964	6	4
	Thomas F. Moughan	B.S. Fitchburg State College 1964	6	2
	Elsie E. Hopkins	B.S. Tufts University 1948	4	1
		M.Ed. Tufts University 1949		
Reading Coordinator	David L. Antczak	B.S. Salem State College 1961	9	9
	Priscilla P. Wilson	B.S. Russell Sage College 1950	6	2
Physical Education				

1970 - 1971

SCHOOL CALENDAR

SCHOOL UNION NO. 53

1970

September

8, 9	Tues.-Wed.	Orientation: Teachers
10	Thursday	School opens for Pupils

October

12	Monday	Holiday - no school
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November

11	Wednesday	Veterans' Day - Schools closed
13	Friday	Schools closed - Parent-Teachers Conference
		Ends 1st quarter - 44 days

25	Wednesday	Schools close at noon for Thanksgiving holiday
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30	Monday	Schools open
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December

23	Wednesday	Schools close end-of-day for the Christmas holidays
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1971

January

4	Monday	Schools open
29	Friday	Ends 2nd quarter - 46 days

February

12	Friday	Schools close for Winter vacation
22	Monday	Schools open

April

9	Friday	Good Friday - Schools closed
16	Friday	Schools close for Spring vacation
		Ends 3rd quarter - 49 days

26	Monday	Schools open
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May

31	Monday	Schools closed - Memorial Day Observance
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June

25	Friday	Last day of School (Half-day)
		Ends 4th quarter - 44 days

183 days

SCHOOL CENSUS
AS OF OCTOBER 1, 1969

	BOYS	GIRLS	TOTAL
From 5 to 7	100	92	192
From 7 to 16	464	441	905
	564	533	1097

NO SCHOOL SIGNAL

NO SCHOOL announcements will be made over Stations WBZ and WHAV after 7 o'clock in the morning.

6:30 a.m. 11-11-11 No School, all grades.

1971
MERRIMAC SCHOOL DEPARTMENT BUDGET

	1970 Appropriated	1970 Expended	1971 Request
ADMINISTRATION:			
School Committee Expense	570.00	459.16	640.00
Superintendent's Salary	3,466.00	3,466.67	3,833.00
Secretarial Salaries	2,683.00	2,488.48	3,002.00
School Census	200.00	200.00	200.00
Office Expense	265.00	256.01	300.00
Superintendent's Travel	200.00	200.00	200.00
Asst. Supt. Salary	2,533.00	2,533.33	2,700.00
Asst. Supt. Travel	200.00	200.00	200.00
INSTRUCTION:			
Administrative Salaries	24,127.00	20,599.29	28,575.00
Administrative Expense	400.00	452.90	400.00
Clerical Salaries	5,833.00	6,355.90	7,100.00
Teachers Salaries	285,911.97	289,584.08	305,831.00
General Supplies	8,337.00	8,294.74	8,855.00
Textbooks-Workbooks	7,268.00	5,821.24	7,326.00
Library Supplies	200.00	222.26	200.00

Educational TV Assessment	448.00	439.50	500.00
Librarian	2,500.00	1,276.08	7,500.00
Teacher Aides	7,290.00	6,969.80	11,730.00

OTHER SCHOOL SERVICES:

Supervisor of Attendance	100.00	100.00	100.00
School Physician	800.00	740.00	800.00
School Nurse	5,180.00	4,479.35	5,200.00
Nurse's Supplies	100.00	91.64	100.00
Nurse's Travel	50.00	50.00	50.00
Transportation: Regular	23,936.00	21,834.00	27,780.00
Trans. Special class-Haverhill	2,615.00	2,277.25	1,900.00
Trans. Special class-Hathorne	None	None	3,600.00
Transportation: Educational	2,000.00	1,178.70	2,000.00
Mental Health Clinic	500.00	500.00	500.00

OPERATION & MAINTENANCE:

Custodians' Salaries	21,630.00	21,264.99	24,605.00
Custodians' Supplies	2,500.00	2,437.54	2,700.00
Fuel	7,600.00	7,850.22	8,400.00
Telephones	725.00	881.82	850.00
Building Maintenance	3,300.00	5,401.97	5,000.00
Equipment Repair	450.00	553.04	600.00
Grounds Maintenance	375.00	293.91	1,000.00

ACQUISITION OF FIXED ASSETS:

Equipment	4,715.00	4,172.62	5,683.00
Remodelling	4,000.00	2,971.03	None

PROGRAMS WITH OTHER DISTRICTS:

Special Class Tuition	2,332.00	3,435.09	2,400.00
	\$435,339.97	430,332.60	482,360.00
Less Available Funds	69.97		
	435,270.00		

VOCATIONAL:

Tuition	10,860.00	10,067.25	13,792.00
Transportation	1,432.00	396.00	1,000.00
	12,292.00	10,463.25	14,792.00
School Lunch Program	3,550.00	3,550.00	3,650.00

Report of the
PENTUCKET REGIONAL DISTRICT
SCHOOL COMMITTEE
For The
Year Ending December 31, 1970

In accordance with Chapter 71, Section 16K, the Pentucket Regional District School Committee submits its seventeenth annual report to each of the member towns.

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FRANCIS J. FERREIRA, JR. Supervising Principal Junior High School
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PENTUCKET REGIONAL SCHOOL COMMITTEE ANNUAL REPORT 1970

To the Selectmen and Citizens of Groveland, Merrimac and West Newbury:

The Pentucket Regional District School Committee submits the following report for 1970. The increasing complexity of the issues in today's society and the importance of the educational program demand increased attention to the duties and responsibilities of this Committee. To meet these obligations the Committee held 22 committee meetings, many sub-committee meetings and 20 negotiating sessions.

To meet some of the necessary on-going school operations, the School Committee made an intensive investigation of its own rules and regulations. Although School Committee Rules and Regulations are never a static set of conditions, it was deemed advisable to extensively examine the operating procedures in view of the 1970 needs. In the process all portions of the operating rules were reviewed and where necessary revised, additions made and codified.

The new Rules and Regulations should permit more time to the vital business of education and less time to the day-by-day routines. Of course, changing conditions create new needs within this set of procedures. These will be investigated and additions made when needed.

Negotiations

In addition to the conditions of its own operations, your School Committee devoted many hours to contract negotiations with the personnel of the District. Inasmuch as the 1969 annual report of this Committee reviewed the breadth of the negotiations procedure, these will not be repeated here. Nonetheless it is important to note that the 1970-1 School Year Master Contract with the Teachers' Association contains approximately 50 pages which have been accepted under the collective negotiations agreement. Chapter 149 of the General Laws requires that collective bargaining in good faith in respect to wages, hours and conditions of employment. Obviously this is a necessary, though tedious process, which affects not only the pupils and teachers but all the inhabitants and taxpayers. Much careful deliberation goes into this process.

The same general type of negotiation has been necessary at the local (elementary) level up to 1970. This year it was mutually agreed by the teachers and the respective school committees that all negotiations would be conducted together. Most decisions affect all the parties. It was hoped that this procedure might reduce the extended period of negotiations which during 1970 was practically continuous in one form or another.

Decisions

Your Committee is mindful of the conflicting demands of our present society and the individuals who live in this district. As you know it is the people who determine what is to be done. The individuals and representatives speak with many voices as to what is needed and how it is to be achieved. This diversity of public opinion and intent must be translated into policy which this Committee attempts to do. We are as concerned over our inability to meet all the demands made upon us as you are. We also are concerned with our inability at times to communicate the rationale which has gone into the decision-making process. And yet, we feel that we have implemented the will of the majority of the residents in the District within the legal constraints of the Commonwealth.

Some of the decisions that this Committee has made have been made reluctantly, and not with unanimous decisions. One of these difficult decisions was the suspension of the pupil dress code enforcement which existed since our opening in 1958. However, in view of the various court decisions relating to dress and personal grooming, and the general misunderstanding of these decisions, it was deemed most prudent to do so at the time.

Another situation which has caused an immense amount of concern and time of this Committee is the roof on the new junior high school. Ever since the building was occupied there have been occasions in which water entered the building through the roof from one place or another. Prolonged efforts to correct these conditions have been made but a permanent solution has not been found at this writing. The alternative modes of action are being carefully weighed and we hope that the distressing conditions at the junior high school are corrected soon.

An opportunity to purchase the Hibbert property which lies

between the frontage of the entrance to both the junior and senior high school occurred in 1970. In view of the several alternatives which the property had for the District, the Committee purchased the property. Two of the very likely alternatives available for this property are: 1, Central office purposes — thus vacating the facilities occupied by the superintendent in the Senior High School, and 2, levelling the area to create a field hockey playing field. The alternatives or a final solution are being considered at this time.

Tuition Students

Due to overcrowded facilities in their usual schools the Town of Newbury requested that Pentucket accommodate up to 70 ninth grade students for the 1970-1 school year. This request was acceptable as a temporary measure until the Triton Regional School opened in 1971. The total number of tuition students that enrolled was 52. As might be expected these students blended in very well with our own.

Following this general report a detailed explanation of the 1971 School Budget is presented for your consideration. It identifies the specific nature of the accounts under which money is expended. Further details explaining these itemizations, are available in the office of the superintendent of schools for anyone interested. To explain the shares each town is assessed for 1971 the cost distribution and how it is computed follows the budget summary. In addition to these reports a complete reconciliation of receipts and expenditures is found in the Treasurer's Report which follows these budgetary considerations.

We submit this report to you confident that we have provided your children with a good education. We submit this report to you with the realization that in these changing times there are differences of opinion of what is right and wrong but that our policies reflect the thinking of the majority of the people.

Respectfully submitted,

RAYMOND R. WALTON, Chairman
EIDA V. JERVEY
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DOUGLAS V. CROOK, M.D.
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DONALD K. LAING
BARBARA M. WELLS
RONALD N. TAGNEY

DIRECTORY OF SCHOOL STAFF 1969 - 1970

PENTUCKET REGIONAL JUNIOR-SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL

Position	Name	Training	Total Years At Pentucket
Principal High School	Bernard F. Ryder	CAGS University of Massachusetts	Resigned 8/7/70
Principal High School	Alexander S. Johnson	B.S. Springfield College 1949 M.S. University of Massachusetts 1957	Began 11/8/70
Assistant Principal	Bertram D. Fecteau	M.Ed. Boston University 1955	5
Principal Jr. High School	Francis J. Ferreira	M.Ed. Salem State College 1964	10
Assistant Principal	William H. Whiting	M.Ed. Northeastern University 1961	10
Guidance	Kenneth B. Wood	M.Ed. Salem State College 1964	8
Guidance	Dorothy M. Mesle	M.Ed. Salem State College 1964	6
Guidance Director	Robert Fanning	M.Ed. Salem State College 1964	6
Guidance	Milton A. MacDonald	M.Ed. Rutgers University 1966	Resigned 6/30/70
Guidance	Beryl Bagni	B.S. University of Mass. 1948	Began 10/27/69
Girls' Phys. Ed.	Alta C. Herron	B.P.E. Posse-Nissen 1924	Resigned 5/70
Girls' Phys. Ed.	Laura J. Parker	B.S. Bridgewater State College 1967	3
Girls' Phys. Ed.	Sandra J. Drew	B.S. State College at Bridgewater 1970	Began 9/1/70
Boys' Phys. Ed. Dir.	Thomas J. Flaherty	M.A.T. Brown University 1961	7
Boys' Phys. Ed.	Raymond E. Stickney	B.Ed. Plymouth State College 1964	6
English Dept. Head H.S.	Ronald L. Fenerty	B.A. University of N.H. 1961 M.Ed. 1969	9

English	Stephen Voltero	B.S. Merrimack College 1962	6
English	Cornelia E. Wolfe	B.A. Boston University	12
English	John J. McKittrick	A.B. Lowell State 1965	5
English Dept. Head Jr. H.	Albert E. Belanger	B.S. Salem State College 1961	4
English	Janice A. Fowler	B.S. Northeastern University 1967	3
English	William J. Martin	B.S. Northeastern University	4
English	Dorothy A. Rostosky	B.S. Lyndon Teachers College 1963	3
English	Constance L. Fall	B.S. Salem State College 1968	2
English	Helen M. Bresnahan	A.B. Marymount College 1968	1
English	John F. Walsh	B.Ed. Merrimack College 1968	Resigned 6/30/70
English	Joanna M. Defeo	B.A. Merrimack College 1970	Began 9/1/70
English	Patricia E. Hurley	A.B. Hanover College, Indiana 1962	Began 9/1/70
		M. Salem State College 1970	
English	Karen A. Wheeler	A.B. Simmons College 1967	Began 9/1/70
Reading	William B. Normand	B.A. Northern Michigan University 1966	Began 9/1/70
		M.Ed. Salem State College 1966	
Reading	Virginia L. Courtney	B.A. Emmanuel College 1945	Resigned 6/30/70
Reading	H. June Denault	B.S. Salem State College 1970	Began 9/1/70
Reading	Deborah H. Ayer	A.B. Colby College 1968	Resigned 6/30/70
Reading	Kathleen Owens	B.A. Emmanuel College 1962	1
Latin, English	Richard L. Canepa	B.A. Salem State College 1962	6
French	Roger Roy	B.A. Marist College 1964	5
French Dept. Head	John E. Durant	A.B. St. Anselm's College 1963	2
French	Roberta A. Gonthier	B.A. Rivier College 1964	Resigned 6/30/70

DIRECTORY OF SCHOOL STAFF (Continued)

Position	Name	Training	Total Years at Pentucket
French-Spanish Lab. Assistant	Paula M. Conley	B.A. Salem State 1970	Began 9/1/70
Spanish	Simone Zalewski	Cour Complementaire Commercial, Paris	7
German	Hazel W. Owen	A.B. Boston University 1941	7
German	Sydney E. Newman	B.S. Boston University 1968	Resigned 6/30/70
	Mary C. Daly	B.A. Cornell University 1966	Began 9/1/70
		M.A.T. Harvard University 1967	
Physical Science Dept. Head	Robert F. Knights	M.Ed. Harvard University	12
Biological Science	Melvin H. Pollack	B.S. Boston University 1958	12
Biology	Allan P. Jarvis, Jr.	B.S. Bowdoin College 1970	Began 9/1/70
Science	Joseph J. Derro, Jr.	B.S. North Carolina State 1954	12
		M.Ed. Salem State College 1966	
Science	Dudley W. Baldwin	B.S. Mass. College of Pharmacy 1957	6
Science Dept. Head, Jr. H.	Robert E. Anton	B.S. University of Mass. 1957	7
Science	James C. Connor	B.S. University of N.H. 1957	5
Science	Mildred E. Kelley	B.S. University of Maine 1967	3
Science	Margaret A. Arbuckle	B.A. Boston University 1969	Resigned 2/16/70
Science	Arden M. Hayden	B.A. University of Maine 1967	Resigned 6/30/70
Science	Edward W. Monroe	B.S. Salem State 1967	1
Science	Bradford C. Perry	B.A. Northeastern University 1969	Resigned 4/70

Science	Wilfred J. Robin, Jr.	B.A. Southeastern Mass. Tech. Inst. 1969	1
Science	Stephen H. Meline	A.B. Boston University 1970	Began 9/1/70
Science	Walter D. Clark	B.S. Texas A & M University 1963	Began 2/23/70
Social Studies	Joseph Sherry	B.S. Boston College 1942	7
		M.Ed. Salem State College 1967	
Social Studies-Science	Herman T. Diehl, Jr.	B.S. University of Maine 1961	2
Social Studies Dept. Head			
Junior High	Minas Dakos	B.A. Boston University 1961	7
		M.Ed. Salem State College 1969	
Social Studies	Marilyn Hershfield	M.A. Boston University 1946	3
Social Studies	John J. O'Wrill	B.Ed. Plymouth State College 1963	3
Social Studies	Gerry J. Hull	A.B. University of Mass. 1965	5
Social Studies	Robert P. Ruszkowski	B.S. Salem State Teachers' College 1965	5
Social Studies	David G. Buckley	B.A. Gordon College 1963	4
Social Studies	George P. Michaleas	B.S. Salem State College 1966	3
Social Studies	Stephen E. Denihan	A.B. Merrimack College 1963	1
Social Studies	David E. Morse	B.S. Springfield College 1968	2
Social Studies	Judith A. Murphy	B.S. Boston State 1969	Began 9/1/70
Social Studies	Richard H. Olson	B.S. St. Lawrence University 1966	Began 9/1/70
		M.A. Middlebury College 1967	
Math Dept. Head H.S.	Arnold G. Zins	B.A. Amherst College 1964	11
Math Dept. Head Jr. H.	Raymond L. MacNeil	B.S. Boston University 1951	8
		M.Ed. Salem State College 1967	
Mathematics	Patricia A. Falcione	B.A. Salem State College 1966	Resigned 6/30/70

DIRECTORY OF SCHOOL STAFF (Continued)

Position	Name	Training	Total Years at Pentucket
Mathematics	Charles R. Stortstrom	A.B. Salem State College 1966 M. Ed. Salem State College 1970	4
Mathematics	Alan L. Mason	B.S. Salem State College 1965	3
Mathematics	David D. Moore	A.B. Northeastern University 1966 M.Ed. Clarkson College 1970	3
Mathematics	David H. Bickum	B.S. University of Mass. 1965 M.Ed. Western Conn. State College	1
Mathematics	Janice M. Hegan	B.A. Salem State College	Began 9/1/70
Mathematics	Nancy A. Brown	B.Ed. Bridgewater State 1964	2
Mathematics	George J. DeLawrence	B.S. Salem State College 1958	2
Mathematics	Nelda I. Krukonis	B.S. Salem State College 1970	Began 9/1/70
Mathematics	Frank J. Orlando	B.A. Salem State College 1970	Began 9/1/70
Mathematics	Joyce E. Young	B.Ed. Plymouth State College 1968	2
Commercial Dept. Head	John D. Ricker	B.E. Plymouth State College 1965	2
Commercial	William T. Loughlin	B.B.S. New Hampshire College 1966	3
Commercial	Geraldine M. Girgenti	B.S. Salem State College 1967	Resigned 6/30/70
Commercial	Donna Lynch	B.S. Salem State College 1969	1
Commercial	Kathleen M. Guenette	B.S. Salem State College 1970	Began 9/1/70
Industrial Arts-Woodworking	James D. Schultz	B.S. Fitchburg State College 1961	9

Industrial Arts-Mech. Draw.	Donald L. Pinciaro	B.S. Fitchburg State College 1964	6
Industrial Arts	Michael A. Babin	B.Ed. Keene Teachers College 1965	2
Industrial Arts	Daniel T. McCarthy	B.S. Fitchburg State College 1969	1
Industrial Arts	Edward E. Roy	M.A. Northeast Missouri State College 1969	Resigned 6/30/70 Began 9/1/70
Industrial Arts	Gene A. Pisano		4
Home Economics	Mary V. Coder	B.S. Simmons College 1941	1
Home Economics	Jean H. Lowe	B.S. Framingham State College 1969	Resigned 6/30/70 Began 9/1/70
Home Economics	Marilyn E. Mooney	B.S. Framingham State College 1968	Resigned 6/30/70 Began 9/1/70
Home Economics	Adrianne Duggan	B.S. Villa Maria College 1968	Resigned 6/30/70
Data Processing	Thomas A. Tamborini	B.S. Salem State College 1969	7
Vocal Music	Frank T. Esile	B.S.Ed. Lowell State College 1958	
		M. Lowell State College 1970	
Music and Band	Robert W. Howard	B.S. Lowell State College 1962	4
Vocal Music	Leon E. Renaud	B.S. Music Ed. Lowell State College 1962	4
Art Dept. Head	Nancy A. Norton	A.B. Smith College 1959	4
		M.A.T. Assumption College 1962	
Art	Diana M. Leigh	B.F.A. George School Fine Arts 1955	3
Art	Lucretia M. Whalen	B.F.A. University of New Mexico 1966	Resigned 6/30/70 Began 9/1/70
Art	Diane Pichette		12
Librarian Sr. High School	Ruth N. Parker	A.B. Coker College 1942	Began 9/1/70
Librarian Jr. High School	Mary E. Casey	A.B. Merrimack College 1969	
		M. Case Western Reserve University	
Library Aide Sr. H.S.	Dorothy J. Whiting		3

DIRECTORY OF SCHOOL STAFF (Continued)

Position	Name	Training	Total Years at Pentucket
Library Aide Jr. H.S.	Elizabeth M. Baer	B.A. Duke University 1943	1
Special Education	Robert J. Lupien	B.S. University of Mass. 1966	Resigned 6/30/70
Special Education	Deborah Clark	B.S. Florida State University	Began 9/1/70

1970 - 1971 SCHOOL CALENDAR
PENTUCKET REGIONAL SCHOOL

1970

September

8, 9	Tues.-Wed.	Orientation: Teachers
10	Thursday	School opens for Pupils

October

12	Monday	Holiday - no school
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November

11	Wednesday	Veterans' Day - Schools closed
13	Friday	Schools closed - Teachers' In-Service
		Ends 1st quarter - 44 days
25	Wednesday	Schools close at noon for Thanksgiving holiday
30	Monday	Schools open

December

23	Wednesday	Schools close end-of-day for the Christmas holidays
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1971

January

4	Monday	Schools open
29	Friday	Ends 2nd quarter - 46 days

February

12	Friday	Schools close for Winter vacation
22	Monday	Schools open

April

9	Friday	Good Friday - Schools closed
16	Friday	Schools close for Spring vacation
		Ends 3rd quarter - 49 days
26	Monday	Schools open

May

31	Monday	Schools closed - Memorial Day Observance
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June

11	Friday	Last day for Seniors
11	Friday	Baccalaureate
13	Sunday	Graduation
22-23-24		Final Exams
25	Friday	Last day of School (Half-day)
		Ends 4th quarter - 44 days

183 days

PENTUCKET REGIONAL DISTRICT
1971 BUDGET

ADMINISTRATION

SCHOOL COMMITTEE:

Salaries, Professional	1,600.00
Contracted Services	3,070.00
Supplies and Materials	500.00
Other Expenses	1,000.00

SUPERINTENDENT'S OFFICE:

Salaries, Professional	20,665.00
Salaries, Office	9,006.00
Contracted Services	300.00
Supplies and Materials	900.00
Other Expense	800.00

INSTRUCTION

SUPERVISION:

Supervision: Salaries, Professional	19,080.00
Supplies and Materials	600.00

PRINCIPAL'S OFFICE:

Administrative Salaries	64,000.00
Office Clerical Salaries	19,000.00
Contracted Services	6,700.00
Supplies and Materials	6,100.00
Other Expense	1,950.00

TEACHING:

Salaries, Professional	775,000.00
Salaries, Non-professional	7,540.00
Summer School Salaries	2,020.00
Contracted Services	3,662.00
Supplies and Materials	32,000.00
Teacher Travel and Dues	2,500.00

TEXTBOOKS:

Textbooks and Workbooks	19,000.00
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INSTRUCTIONAL MEDIA INCLUDING LIBRARY:

Salaries, Professional	25,700.00
Contracted Services (Rebinding)	400.00
Supplies and Materials	3,000.00
Other Expense	185.00

AUDIO VISUAL: (Instructional Media)

Supplies	7,000.00
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GUIDANCE SERVICES:

Salaries, Professional	54,500.00
Salaries, Secretary	8,275.00
Contracted Services	300.00
Supplies and Materials	1,904.00
Other Expenses (Travel)	450.00

OTHER SCHOOL SERVICES**ATTENDANCE:**

Salaries, Non-professional	625.00
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HEALTH SERVICES:

Salaries, Professional	12,900.00
Supplies and Materials	300.00
Other Expenses (Travel)	100.00

OPERATION OF SCHOOL BUSES:

Salaries, Non-professional	
Police Duty	600.00

TRANSPORTATION CONTRACTED SERVICES:

119,240.00

FOOD SERVICES:

Salaries, Non-professional	9,200.00
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ATHLETICS:

Salaries, Professional	14,000.00
Contracted Services	6,638.00
Supplies and Materials	6,094.00
Other Expenses: Membership Dues	482.00

OTHER STUDENT BODY ACTIVITIES:

Salaries, Professional	2,300.00
Contracted Services	1,050.00

OPERATION & MAINT. OF PLANT

CUSTODIAL SERVICES:

Salaries, Non-professional	81,970.00
Supplies and Materials	6,400.00

HEAT OF BUILDINGS:

15,000.00

UTILITY SERVICES:

Supplies and Materials	25,505.00
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MAINTENANCE OF GROUNDS:

Contracted Services	9,900.00
Supplies and Materials	2,000.00

MAINTENANCE OF BUILDINGS:

Salaries, Non-professional	8,500.00
Contracted Services	9,350.00
Supplies and Materials	4,000.00
Other Expenses	300.00

MAINTENANCE OF EQUIPMENT

Contracted Services	5,635.00
Supplies and Materials	500.00

FIXED CHARGES

Employment Retirement	20,000.00
Insurance Program	27,000.00
Debt Service (Current Loans)	13,500.00

COMMUNITY SERVICES

CIVIC ACTIVITIES:

Keep fields in shape for summer use	500.00
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ACQUISITION OF FIXED ASSETS

ACQUISITION OF EQUIPMENT

Library Books - Junior High School	3,750.00
Equipment - Junior High School	3,900.00
Equipment NDEA	2,000.00
Library Books - Senior High School	3,810.00
Equipment - Wrestling Mat	3,500.00
Equipment - Senior High School	10,000.00
Highway Safety Lighting	3,500.00

REPLACEMENT OF EQUIPMENT:

4,000.00

DEBT SERVICE AND RETIREMENT

Debt Retirement (Principal, Long Term)	213,000.00
Debt Service (Interest, Long Term)	87,065.00
	\$1,836,821.00

PENTUCKET REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

1971 BUDGET

COST DISTRIBUTION

Student Enrollments, by Towns and Percentage of Enrollment

	October 1, 1970		% of Total
Groveland	684	=	46.9458%
Merrimac	495	=	33.9739%
West Newbury	278	=	19.0803%
	1457		100.0000%

Budget for 1971	\$1,836,821.00
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LESS:

Estimated Receipts	251,826.25	
Transfer from Excess & Deficiency	40,173.75	
Total used to decrease 1971 assessments		292,000.00
Total to be raised		\$1,544,821.00

Assessments to Towns, based on Agreement:	1970	1971
Groveland's Share	634,827.45	725,228.58
Merrimac's Share	473,328.07	524,835.94
West Newbury's Share	269,167.48	294,756.48
	\$1,377,323.00	\$1,544,821.00

PENTUCKET REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

TREASURER'S REPORT

RECONCILIATION OF CASH

Cash Balance January 1, 1970	\$ 60,262.51
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RECEIPTS

Assessments to the Towns	\$1,377,323.00	
Comm. of Mass. Reimbursements	297,699.00	
U.S. Government Grants	35,550.93	
Payroll Deductions	326,922.63	
School Lunch Program Fund	85,085.44	
Athletic Program Fund	4,962.00	
Tuition	21,200.00	
Rent	285.00	
Miscellaneous Revenues	8,362.66	
Refunds	635.62	
Unclaimed Checks	51.12	
Sale of Revenue Anticipation Loans	700,000.00	
		2,858,077.40
		\$2,918,339.91

EXPENDITURES

Maintenance & Operation	\$1,323,071.51	
Amortization-Debt & Interest	310,272.50	
Payroll Deduction Payments	327,314.58	
School Lunch Program Fund	94,332.76	
Athletic Program Fund	4,698.95	
P.L. 89-10 Title II	908.61	
School Construction	7,967.17	
Estimated Receipts	471.00	
Land Aquisition	1,216.97	
Revenue Anticipation Notes	700,000.00	
		\$2,770,254.05
Cash Balance December 31, 1970		148,085.86

RECEIPTS

TOWN ASSESSMENTS:

Groveland	\$634,827.45	
Merrimac	473,382.07	
West Newbury	269,167.48	
		\$1,377,323.00

COMM. OF MASS. REIMBURSEMENTS:

Construction Grant	200,648.00	
Transportation	92,056.00	
Special Education	4,995.00	
		297,699.00

U.S. GOVERNMENT GRANTS:

Public Law No. 875	32,949.00	
Public Law No. 85-864	1,685.90	
Public Law No. 89-10	916.03	
		35,550.93

PAYROLL DEDUCTIONS:

Pioneer Credit Union	79,974.00	
Teachers Retirement Fund	39,599.93	
Essex County Retirement Fund	7,766.26	
Federal Withholding Tax	141,911.66	
Mass. Withholding Tax	29,781.99	
Blue Cross-Blue Shield	15,564.54	
Life Insurance	341.82	
United Fund	595.96	
Mutual of New York Insurance	2,340.00	
New York Life Insurance	998.40	
John Hancock Insurance	27.69	
Horace Mann Insurance	600.00	
P.A.T. Dues	7,420.38	
		326,922.63

SCHOOL LUNCH PROGRAM FUND:

Sale of Food	65,817.56	
U.S.D.A. Reimbursements	19,267.88	
		85,085.44

ATHLETIC PROGRAM FUND:

Sale of Tickets		4,962.00
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TUITION:

Payment of Out-of-Town Students	21,200.00
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RENT:

Rental of Cafeteria and Auditorium	285.00
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MISCELLANEOUS REVENUES:

Industrial Arts Fee	932.01	
Commission on Pay Phone	40.27	
Locker Key Receipts	46.50	
Sale of Books	340.15	
Vending Machine Receipts	131.90	
Driver Education Fees	5,127.00	
Summer School Fees	660.00	
Insurance Reimbursement for Freeze-up	928.34	
Reimbursement for Sneakers	45.00	
Reimbursement for Gym Locks	17.00	
Reimbursement for School Band	50.00	
Reimbursement for Jackets	5.60	
Reimbursement for Broken Glass	7.50	
Reimbursement for Paper	20.00	
Reimbursement for '69 B. Cross-B. Shield pymt.	5.24	
Reimbursement for telephone calls	4.80	
Reimbursement for Books	1.35	
		8,362.66

REFUNDS:

635.62

UNCASHED CHECKS:

51.12

TEMPORARY LOANS:**Sale of Revenue Anticipation Notes:**

Jan. 15, 1970 – 127 days	300,000.00	
April 28, 1970 – 115 days	200,000.00	
July 3, 1970 – 140 days	200,000.00	
		700,000.00

Total Receipts Year Ended December 31, 1970	\$2,858,077.40
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EXPENDITURES

MAINTENANCE & OPERATION

ADMINISTRATION

SCHOOL COMMITTEE:

Salaries, Professional	\$1,500.00
Contracted Services	944.85
Supplies and Materials	397.10
Other Expenses	1,143.24

SUPERINTENDENT'S OFFICE:

Salaries, Professional	19,000.00
Salaries, Secretaries	7,567.20
Supplies and Materials	1,004.22
Other Expense	972.70

31,529.31

INSTRUCTION

SUPERVISION:

Salaries, Professional	12,779.75
Supplies and Materials	171.29

PRINCIPAL'S OFFICES:

Administrative Salaries	53,993.82
Clerical Salaries	17,129.75
Contracted Services	5,317.75
Supplies and Materials	4,095.92
Other Expenses	618.90
Administrators Travel-High School	394.59
Administrators Travel-Jr. High	346.50

TEACHING:

Salaries, Professional	675,340.01
Salaries, Special Ed.	8,123.12
Summer School Salaries	500.00
Contracted Services	1,259.84
Supplies and Materials	27,983.58
Teacher Travel and Dues	952.40

TEXTBOOKS:

Textbooks and Workbooks	18,827.35
Textbooks Special Ed.	188.17

LIBRARY SERVICES:

Salaries, Professional	18,462.14
Supplies and Materials	2,140.75
Other Expenses	75.00

AUDIO VISUAL PROGRAM

Salaries, Professional	2,099.16
Supplies (Paper, Bulbs, etc.)	1,135.16
(Films, records, tapes, etc.)	4,092.59

GUIDANCE SERVICES:

Salaries, Professional	50,735.45
Salaries, Secretaries	6,801.28
Supplies and Materials	1,773.45
Other Expenses	209.82

915,547.54

OTHER SCHOOL SERVICES**ATTENDANCE:**

Salaries	460.00
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HEALTH SERVICES:

Salaries, Professional	8,777.31
Supplies and Materials	148.51
Other Expenses	17.94

OPERATION OF SCHOOL BUSES:

Salaries, Non-Professional	111.00
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TRANSPORTATION:

Contracted Services	103,744.10
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ATHLETICS:

Salaries, Professional	12,276.05
Contracted Services	5,753.08

Supplies and Materials	6,010.35	
Other Expenses	405.80	
OTHER STUDENT BODY ACTIVITIES:		
Salaries, Professional	837.99	
Contracted Services	564.50	
		139,106.63

OPERATION & MAINTENANCE

CUSTODIAL SERVICES:		
Salaries, Non-Professional	74,520.19	
Supplies and Materials	6,659.44	
HEAT OF BUILDINGS:		
	15,216.14	
UTILITY SERVICES:		
	24,206.78	
MAINTENANCE OF GROUNDS:		
Contracted Services	8,292.20	
Supplies and Materials	1,321.46	
MAINTENANCE OF BUILDINGS:		
Salaries, Non-Professional	7,785.75	
Contracted Services	12,379.94	
Supplies and Materials	3,483.80	
Other Expenses	300.00	
MAINTENANCE OF EQUIPMENT:		
Contracted Services	3,384.02	
Supplies and Materials	530.62	
		158,080.34

FIXED CHARGES

Employment Retirement	16,495.53	
Insurance Program	25,969.97	
Debt Service (Current Loans)	13,060.46	
		55,525.96

COMMUNITY SERVICES

CIVIC ACTIVITIES	438.25
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FIXED ASSETS

ACQUISITION OF EQUIPMENT:

Library Books: Junior High	2,990.59	
Senior High	3,206.93	
Equipment: Junior High	2,460.08	
Senior High	5,696.69	
NDEA	1,426.87	
Replacement of Equipment	6,062.32	
		21,843.48

TOTAL FOR MAINTENANCE & OPERATION	\$1,323,071.51
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AMORTIZATION:

Payment of Principal	215,000.00	
Payment of Interest	95,272.50	
		310,272.50

PAYROLL DEDUCTION PAYMENTS:

Pioneer Credit Union	79,974.00	
Teachers Retirement Fund	39,599.93	
Essex County Retirement Fund	7,766.26	
Federal Withholding Tax	141,911.66	
Mass. Withholding Tax	29,781.99	
Blue Cross-Blue Shield	15,561.93	
Life Insurance	341.72	
United Fund	595.96	
Mutual of New York Insurance	2,340.00	
New York Life Insurance	1,040.00	
John Hancock Insurance	230.75	
Horace Mann Insurance	750.00	
P.A.T. Dues	7,420.38	
		327,314.58

SCHOOL LUNCH PROGRAM FUND:

Salaries	35,743.47	
Food	51,432.64	
Other	7,156.65	
		94,332.76

ATHLETIC PROGRAM FUND:

Referees, Police, Custodians

And Ticket Sellers 4,085.36

Equipment 220.47

Food 129.80

Transportation 78.00

Dues 185.32

4,698.95

PUBLIC LAW No. 89-210:

Subscriptions 908.61

SCHOOL CONSTRUCTION:

Legal Fees 7,955.05

Equipment 12.12

7,967.17

LAND ACQUISITION:

Purchase of Land 1,000.00

Taxes 34.97

Legal Fees 182.00

1,216.97

ESTIMATED RECEIPTS:

Refund of Rental Deposits 30.00

Refund of Tuition Payments 232.00

Refund of Driver Ed. Payments 209.00

471.00

REVENUE ANTICIPATION NOTES:

Note due May 22, 1970 300,000.00

Note due August 21, 1970 200,000.00

Note due November 20, 1970 200,000.00

700,000.00

Total Expenses Year Ended December 31, 1970 \$2,770,254.05

PENTUCKET REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

BALANCE SHEET DECEMBER 31, 1970

GENERAL ACCOUNTS

ASSETS		LIABILITIES	
CASH:		REVOLVING FUNDS:	
General	\$ 148,085.86	School Lunch Fund	\$ 5,280.68
Petty	50.00	Athletic Fund	2,866.71
		Reserve for Petty Cash	50.00
		Tailings-Unclaimed Checks	115.23
		School Construction	2,982.99
		New York Life Insurance	198.40
		Mutual of New York Insurance	115.00
		Horace Mann Insurance	100.00
		Blue Cross-Blue Shield	2.61
		Life Insurance	.10
		Public Law No. 89-10	7.42
		Land Acquisition	383.03
		Surplus Revenue	136,033.69
	\$ 148,135.86		\$ 148,135.86

DEBT ACCOUNTS

Net Funded or Fixed Debt		SCHOOL CONSTRUCTION LOANS:
	\$2,267,000.00	October 1, 1955 \$ 9,000.00
		January 15, 1957 350,000.00
		December 1, 1957 290,000.00
		July 15, 1964 8,000.00
		December 15, 1965 750,000.00
		December 15, 1966 860,000.00
	\$2,267,000.00	\$2,267,000.00

SYDNEY A. O'NEILL, Treasurer

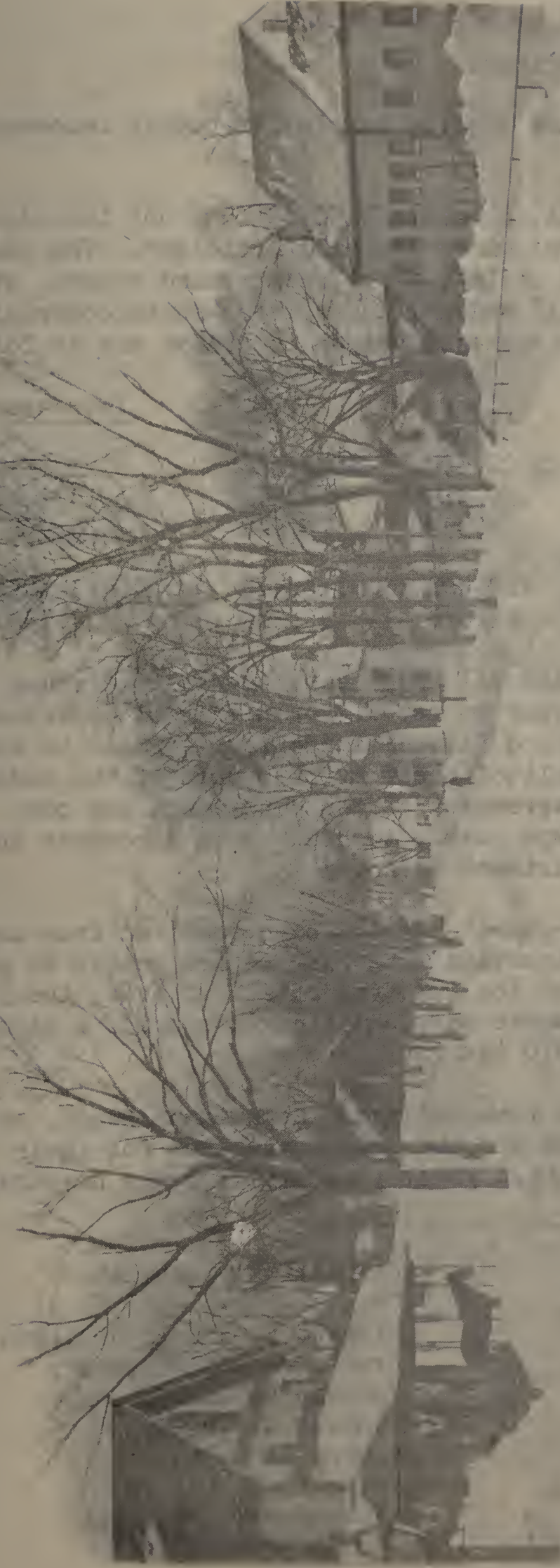
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Report of the
Finance Committee

M E R R I M A C

February 23, 1970



To the Citizens of Merrimac:

The Finance Committee submits herein its budget recommendations for the year 1970.

The total budget has increased \$150,621.00, not including the recommended expenditures under "Special Articles". The increase is approximately 12.4% of last years recommended budget, with schools comprising 10.1% and all other departments comprising 2.3%. Departments having major budget increases are as follows:

	<u>1969</u>	<u>1970</u>	<u>Increase</u>
School	\$802,590	\$924,441	\$121,851
Police	39,310	52,511	13,201
Library	8,352	13,960	5,508
Maturing Debt			
Int.	110,408	113,473	3,305
Unclassified	41,228	43,364	2,136

Our committee met with all major departments to discuss budget requests. During the year we met with a number of departments to discuss administrative and financial problems peculiar to their departments. As a result of their efforts most of the budget amounts are by mutual agreement of the department and our committee. Where we were unable to reach such agreement the budget request of the department is noted.

Because the "cherry-sheet" has not been received from the Department of Corporations and Taxation, we are unable to state a specific prediction of the 1970 tax rate. However, the increase in the budget causes our committee to predict a significant increase in the 1970 tax rate.

We wish to thank the town officers, department heads, and especially the Selectmen and the Town Accountant for their excellent cooperation which greatly facilitated the preparation of this budget.

Respectfully submitted,

Richard P. Hamel, Chairman
Frank Drenth, Secretary
Forrest L. Bishop
Kenneth G. Fowle
Robert E. Kent
James A. Smith
Alexander M. Sullivan

.27% Recreation
.43% Cemeteries
.70% Health
.87% Veterans Benefits
1.03% Library
1.21% Pensions
2.82% Public Service
2.85% General Government
3.19% Unclassified
4.95% Highways
5.31% Protection
8.41% Maturing Debt & Int.

67.96% SCHOOLS

RESERVE FUND
RECAP

Appropriation \$7000.00

Transferred to:

Election Officers Wages	\$ 340.00
Interest Temporary Loan	4876.46
Town Clerk Expense	125.00
Town Reports	44.52
Veterans Benefits	1614.02
	<u>\$7000.00</u>

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Item No.	Average Expended 1966-1968	Expended 1969		Recommended 1970
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GENERAL GOVERNMENT 2.85% of Total

Moderator
Salary

1	\$ 12	\$ 12		\$ 12
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Finance Committee

2	50	50	Clerical Assistance	70
3	272	336	Expense	400

Selectmen

4	900	1,406	Salary	1,500
5	1,381	1,914	Clerical Assistance	2,000
6	864	766	Expense	1,000

Accountant

7	5,065	5,304	Salary	6,185
8	379		Clerical Assistance	300
9	97	84	Expense	100

Treasurer

10	1,200	1,200	Salary	1,200
11	200	200	Clerical Assistance	400
12	3,400	3,602	Expense	2,900

Tax Collector

13	2,500	2,500	Salary	2,500
14	159	187	Clerical Assistance	400
15	1,057	830	Expense	1,100

Assessors

16	525	600	Salaries - Chairman	600
17	413	600	Clerk	600
18	396	600	Member	600
19	1,162	2,600	Clerical Assistance	2,700
20	200	1,793	Survey Fieldwork	500
21	1,290	1,692	Expense	1,800

Legal Suits & Expenses

22	750	1,250	Salary - Town Counsel	1,500
23	271	750	Expense	1,000

Town Clerk

24	600	1,000	Salary	1,000
25	200		Clerical Assistance	- - -
26	471	273	Expense	608

Item No.	Average Expended 1966-1968	Expended 1969		Recommended 1970
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Election Officers

27	\$ 506	\$ 374	Wages	\$ 580
28	100	141	Expense	50

Registrars

29	250	250	Salaries	300
30	67	100	Clerical Expense	100
31	130	46	Expense	31
32	400	400	Census Taker	400

Planning Board

33	101	325	Expense	200
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Town Hall

34	836	840	Janitor - Wages	840
35	2,538	2,916	Maintenance	4,900

36	554	549	<u>Bonding Town Officers</u>	575
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	<u>\$ 29,252</u>	<u>\$ 35,490</u>	TOTAL FOR GENERAL GOV'T.	<u>\$ 38,951</u>
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PROTECTION OF PERSONS & PROPERTY
5.31% of TOTAL

Police

37	6,746	5,459	Salaries - Chief	8,420
38	4,640	6,579	Sergeant	7,640
39	10,057	11,083	Patrolmen	18,920
40	5,867	8,706	Wages - Specials	8,661
41	1,376	1,614	Clerk	1,780
42	3,472	4,958	Expense	6,590
43	500	500	Prisoners Board	500

	<u>\$ 32,658</u>	<u>\$ 38,899</u>	TOTAL POLICE	<u>\$ 52,511</u>
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Fire

44	650	650	Salaries - Engineers	650
45	4,100	4,000	Wages - Firemen	4,100
46	200	200	Forest Fire Warden	200
47	4,040	4,153	Expense	6,000

	<u>\$ 8,990</u>	<u>\$ 9,003</u>	TOTAL FIRE	<u>\$ 10,950</u>
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Board of Appeals

48	35	40	Clerical Assistance	50
49	31	4	Expense	100

Item No.	Average Expended 1966-1968	Expended 1969		Recommended 1970
			<u>Inspector of Gas</u>	
50	\$ 300	\$ 350	Salary (400)	\$ 350
51	75	75	Expense (100)	75
			<u>Inspector of Wiring</u>	
52	285	321	Salary	350
53	50	50	Expense	50
			<u>Inspector of Oil Burners</u>	
54	150	150	Salary	150
55	50	50	Expense	50
			<u>Inspector of Plumbing</u>	
56	228	300	Salary	300
			<u>Inspector of Sewerage</u>	
57	425	300	Salary	300
			<u>Tree Warden</u>	
58	450	300	Salary	300
59	1,658	1,999	Expense	2,000
60	488	500	New Trees	500
61	465	688	Stump Removal	700
			<u>Moth</u>	
62	236		Wages	
63	380	1,000	Expense	1,100
			<u>Dutch Elm</u>	
64	330		Wages	
65	860	937	Expense	950
			<u>Town Forest</u>	
66	24	28	Wages	50
			<u>Dog Officer</u>	
67	200	200	Salary (300)	200
68	278	264	Expense	300
			<u>Civil Defense</u>	
69	300	300	Wages	300
70	1,163	1,019	Expenses	650
	<u>\$ 50,109</u>	<u>\$ 56,777</u>	TOTAL PROTECTION	<u>\$ 72,286</u>

Item No.	Average Expended 1966-1968	Expended 1969		Recommended 1970
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HEALTH & SANITATION .70% of TOTAL

			<u>Health Nurse</u>	
71	1,875	1,875	Salary	1,875
72	145	45	Expense	200
			<u>Board of Health</u>	
73	427	640	Expense	1,600
			<u>Dump Maintenance</u>	
74	3,640	4,160	Salary	4,420
75	946	532	Expense	1,000
			<u>Inspector of Animals</u>	
76	100	100	Salary	100
77	10	10	Expense	10
			<u>Inspector of Milk</u>	
78	25	25	Salary	25
79	10	10	Expense	10
			<u>Inspector of Slaughtering</u>	
80	20	20	Salary	20
81	5	5	Expense	5
82	156	125	<u>Vital Statistics</u>	180
	<u>\$ 7,359</u>	<u>\$ 7,547</u>	TOTAL HEALTH & SANITATION	<u>\$ 9,445</u>

HIGHWAYS 4.95% of TOTAL

83	5,990	7,115	Superintendent's Salary (7500)	
84	16,586	18,604	Wages (17,700)	
85	42,114	47,300	Expense	
	<u>\$ 64,690</u>	<u>\$ 73,019</u>		
86			Road Machinery - Spec. Art.#5	(2,095)
87	3,989	4,000	Road Machinery - Appropriate	2,905
88	3,366	4,500	Thickly Settled Spec. Art.#6	(4,500)
89	14,306	5,449	Chapter 81 Appropriate	5,450
90		9,075	Chapter 81 Trans. S.R.	(9,075)
			(Spec. Art.#7)	
91	13,000	11,084	Chapter 90, Const.	
92			Chapter 90, Const. Trans. S.R.	12,000
			(Spec. Art.#8)	

Item No.	Average Expended 1966-1968	Expended 1969		Recommended 1970
93	1,499	957	Chapter 90, Maint. Appropriate	1,000
94		500	Chapter 90, Maint. Trans.S.R. (Spec.Art.#9)	500
95	18,783	27,992	Snow & Washouts Appropriate	20,000
96	1,463	1,493	Sidewalks, R & B Appropriate	1,500
97	8,269	7,031	Street Lights	8,211
	<u>\$ 64,675</u>	<u>\$ 72,081</u>	<u>TOTAL HIGHWAYS</u>	<u>\$ 67,236</u>

(Trans. from S.R. \$21,575)
(Trans. from Rd.Mach. \$ 2,095)
(Recommd. Appros. \$43,566)

VETERANS' BENEFITS .87% of TOTAL

98	833	900	Service Officer - Salary	900
99	200	250	Expense	250
100	141	99	Care of Veterans Graves Soldiers Benefits	150
101	350	600	Clerk	600
102	5,417	9,999	Expense	10,000
	<u>\$ 6,941</u>	<u>\$ 11,848</u>	<u>TOTAL VETERANS</u>	<u>\$ 11,900</u>

SCHOOLS 67.96% of TOTAL

103	193,782	326,986	Elementary - Salaries & Wages	362,254
104	22,483	54,810	Expense	68,139
	<u>\$216,265</u>	<u>\$381,796</u>	<u>TOTAL ELEMENTARY SCHOOL</u>	<u>\$430,393</u>
			Less Available Funds	-70
				<u>\$430,323</u>

105	7,888	3,278	Special Class Tuition & Transp.	4,947
106	5,699	3,431	Lunch Program	3,550
107	5,273	6,256	Vocational Tuition & Transp.	12,292
108	306,373	407,803	Pentucket Regional Assessment	473,329
	<u>\$541,498</u>	<u>\$802,564</u>	<u>TOTAL SCHOOLS</u>	<u>\$924,441</u>

LIBRARY 1.03% of TOTAL

109	4,069	5,514	Salaries & Wages	10,540
110	3,073	3,911	Expense	5,935
111	-1,023	-1,138	Less Estimated Income	-2,515
	<u>\$ 6,119</u>	<u>\$ 8,287</u>	<u>TOTAL LIBRARY</u>	<u>\$ 13,960</u>

Item No.	Average Expended 1966-1968	Expended 1969		Recommended 1970
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RECREATION .27% of TOTAL

112	934	1,151	Playground - Wages	1,600
113	956	485	Expense	700
114	1,050	1,050	Supervised Play - Wages	1,050
115	300	300	Christmas Parade	300
	<u>\$ 3,240</u>	<u>\$ 2,986</u>		<u>\$ 3,650</u>

PENSIONS 1.21% of TOTAL

116	15,795	16,278	Essex County Retirement System	16,500
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UNCLASSIFIED 3.19% of TOTAL

117	285	299	Central M.V. Reg. Pln. Dist.	400
118	3,045	3,862	Light in Town Buildings	4,732
119	558	491	Water in Town Buildings	556
120	828	845	Town Reports	950
121	365	347	Memorial Day	400
122	500	500	Rental American Legion Quarters	500
123	6,089	7,000	Reserve Fund	7,000
124	10,739	13,360	Insurance	17,000
125	351	792	Ambulance Service	1,000
126	64	0	Tax Title Property Repairs	300
127	2,953	6,671	Group Insurance	8,500
128	353	32	Industrial Development Comm.	1,500
129	367	25	Indian Head Park Expenses	526
	<u>\$ 26,497</u>	<u>\$ 34,224</u>	<u>TOTAL UNCLASSIFIED</u>	<u>\$ 43,364</u>

PUBLIC SERVICE ENTERPRISES 2.82% of TOTAL

130	150	300	Water Dept. Salaries - Comms.	300
131	2,487	2,650	" Superintendent	2,900
132	1,396	1,565	" Clerk	1,779
133	9,354	10,864	Wages	12,760
134	22,495	18,735	Expenses	21,687
	<u>\$ 35,882</u>	<u>\$ 34,114</u>	<u>TOTAL PUBLIC ENTERPRISES</u>	<u>\$ 39,426</u>

CEMETERIES .43% of TOTAL

135	334	400	Clerk	400
136	6,729	7,438	Wages	6,000
137	2,063	2,598	Expense	2,000
138	-2,950	-3,961	Less Estimated Income	-2,500
	<u>\$ 6,176</u>	<u>\$ 6,475</u>	<u>TOTAL CEMETERIES</u>	<u>\$ 5,900</u>

Item No.	Average Expended 1966-1968	Expended 1969	Recommended 1970
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MATURING DEBT & INTEREST 8.41% of TOTAL

139	\$ 45,000	\$ 45,000	Debt-Red Oak School	\$ 45,000
140	17,000	17,000	Elementary School	17,000
141	5,000	5,000	Elem. Sch. Addition	5,000
142	4,000	4,000	Water Meters	4,000
143		4,000	Fire Truck	4,000
144	26,105	33,168	Interest - Maturing Debt	30,373
145	1,873	6,876	Temporary Loans	8,100
	<u>\$ 98,978</u>	<u>\$115,044</u>	TOTAL MATURING DEBT & INT.	<u>\$113,473</u>

TOTAL BUDGET RECOMMENDATIONS	\$1,360,532
*TOTAL SPECIAL ARTICLES	18,902
TOTAL RECOMMENDED TRANSFERS	33,220

*Not included in this figure:

Art. #18	\$135,000	Bond Issue - Fire Station
Art. #21	\$400,000	Bond Issue - Sewage Plant
Art. #23		Pace land
Art. #24		Land adjoining former town dump
?7	\$192,000	Bond Issue - Water Facility

RECOMMENDATIONS

Art. 1	Omnibus article on budget Recommended
Art. 2	Authorization for Town Treasurer, with approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money Recommended

- Art. 3 Authorization for the Selectmen to sell any property taken by the Town until the 1971 town meeting
Recommended
- Art. 4 To authorize the Assessors to use a sum of money from "Free Cash" in the treasury toward the reduction of the 1970 tax rate
Recommended \$40,000
- Art. 5 To raise and appropriate or transfer from unappropriated available funds in the treasury a sum of money for the maintenance of road machinery
Recommended - Appropriate \$2,905
Transfer from S.R. \$2,095
- Art. 6 To raise and appropriate a sum of money to be expended on highway work on thickly settled streets
Recommended - Appropriate \$4,500
- Art. 7 To raise and appropriate, or transfer from unappropriated available funds in the treasury, a sum of money for Chapter 81 highway construction and maintenance
Recommended - Appropriate \$5,450
Transfer from S.R. \$9,075
- Art. 8 To raise and appropriate or transfer from unappropriated available funds in the treasury, a sum of money for Chapter 90 highway construction
Recommended - Transfer from S.R. \$12,000
- Art. 9 To raise and appropriate or transfer from unappropriated available funds in the treasury a sum of money for Chapter 90 highway maintenance
Recommended - Appropriate \$1,000
Transfer from S.R. \$500
- Art. 10 To appropriate the sum of \$800 from the sale of cemetery lots to be expended under the direction of the cemetery trustees for "Care, Improvement and Embellishment" of said cemeteries
Recommended - \$800
- Art. 11 To appropriate a sum of money from the Electric Light operating balance, said sum to be used by the Assessors with the estimated receipts for reducing the tax rate for the year 1970
Recommended - \$15,820
Lighting town buildings \$4,732
Street lights \$8,211
Reduction of taxes \$2,877

- Art. 12 To transfer dog license fees to library
Recommended - \$322
- Art. 13 To accept benefits to public libraries
Recommended
- Art. 14 To raise and appropriate a sum of money for construction of a sidewalk on the easterly side of Winter Street from Lincoln Street to Nichols Street or beyond
Recommended - \$3,000
- Art. 15 To raise and appropriate, or raise by bond issue, a sum of money to purchase a 3/4 ton, 4 wheel drive pickup truck and plow for highway department
Recommended - Appropriate \$4,500
- Art. 16 To Transfer from the Stabilization Fund a sum of money to purchase a new truck chassis and plow for the highway department
Recommended - Transfer \$7,000
- Art. 17 To amend town by-laws to include provisions for vacation, holiday and sick leave benefits for town employees
Recommended
- Art. 18 To raise and appropriate, or borrow, a sum of money to build and equip a fire station on the Westerly side of Broad Street Extension and to authorize the Selectmen to appoint a building committee
Recommended - \$135,000 Bond issue
- Art. 19 To authorize the Moderator to appoint a committee to study the feasibility of selling the municipal light department
Recommended - Transfer \$550 from Youth Center Acct.
- Art. 20 To raise and appropriate, or borrow, funds for architectural and engineering plans and specifications for construction of a waste treatment facility
Recommended
- Art. 21 To raise and appropriate, or borrow, funds for constructing sewers, sewage systems and sewage treatment and disposal facilities
Recommended - \$400,000 Bond issue
- Art. 22 To purchase or take by eminent domain 4.2 acres of land, presently owned by the Pace Industrial Corp. near the Northerly side of the access road from Broad Street to Route 495 for the purpose of constructing a

sewage disposal facility and to appropriate or borrow a sum of money to defray the cost thereof

Recommended - (Articles #22 and #23 present alternate sites for the sewage treatment facility)

Art. 23 To purchase or take by eminent domain certain parcels of land adjoining the old town dump on Mill Street for the purpose of constructing a sewage disposal facility and to appropriate, or borrow, a sum of money to defray the cost thereof

Recommended

Art. 24 To authorize Selectmen to apply to the Mass. Division of Water Pollution Control for an advance of a State Plan in the preparation of final plans for a waste treatment facility

Recommended

Art. 25 To raise and appropriate a sum of money to correct the flow of water into the boiler at the pumping station

Recommended - Appropriate \$600

Art. 26 To raise and appropriate a sum of money to purchase a 3/4 ton truck and utility body for the Water Dept.

Recommended - Appropriate \$3,950

Art. 27 To appropriate a sum of money for developing additional well field, constructing and equipping pumping station, constructing storage standpipe, and laying water mains and to authorize the Treasurer, with the approval of Selectmen to borrow a sum of money therefor

Recommended - (Article be amended to delete the Standpipe) \$192,000 Bond issue

Art. 28 To raise and appropriate money to purchase, or take by eminent domain, Sargent land at junction of County Road and Harriman Road for purpose of constructing standpipe thereon

Recommended

Art. 29 To transfer from available funds a sum of money to be used by the Cemetery Trustees to defray the cost of constructing new gates at the Locust Street Cemetery

Recommended - Transfer \$730.00

Art. 30 To require the Assessors to publish, in the Haverhill Gazette, a listing of the owners and assessed value of each parcel of taxable property in Merrimac

Not Recommended - insufficient information

- Art. 31 To amend town by-laws to require quorum of five percent (5%) of the registered voters at Annual and Special town meetings
Recommended
- Art. 32 To require that the appointed town counsel be a non-resident of the town of Merrimac
Not Recommended
- Art. 33 To appoint a committee to study the feasibility of disposing of the old high school building and land
Recommended
- Art. 34 To appropriate, or transfer from available funds, a sum of money for the Stabilization Fund
Recommended - Appropriate \$5,000
- Art. 35 To authorize the Assessors to hire themselves to perform assessing duties outside of the Assessor's office and to set the rate of compensation
Recommended
- Art 36 To authorize the Tree Warden to hire himself to perform labor and render services to the tree department and to set the rate of compensation
Recommended
- Art. 37 To establish a Housing Authority under Mass. G.L. (Ter. Ed.) Chapter 121B, Section 3 as amended
Recommended
- Art. 38 To transfer a sum of money for setting up observation wells at the present well field to determine the feasibility of installing a gravel packed well
Recommended - Transfer \$2000

SURPLUS REVENUE

\$169,121.06

Real 1968	\$17,058.83
Real 1969	\$89,416.16

Personal 1966	\$ 424.51
Personal 1967	\$ 459.81
Personal 1968	\$1,584.29
Personal 1969	\$6,097.55

\$115,041.15

FREE CASH \$ 54,079.91

BORROWING CAPACITY OF THE TOWN JANUARY 1, 1970

Real and Personal:

Valuation 1967 less abatements	\$10,809,541.00
Valuation 1968 less abatements	11,782,584.00
Valuation 1969 less abatements	13,337,958.00

Motor Vehicles:

Valuation 1967 less abatements	\$ 1,524,244.00
Valuation 1968 less abatements	1,694,290.00
Valuation 1969 less abatements	1,446,163.00
Net valuation for 3 yrs., less abatements	<u>40,594,780.00</u>
Average valuation 3 yrs., less abatements	13,531,593.00
5% thereof (debt limit)	676,578.00

EXISTING TOWN DEBT INSIDE DEBT LIMIT

Fire Truck (1968 \$20,000)	Balance \$	16,000.00
Elementary School (1952 \$39,000)	Balance	3,000.00
New Addition (1960 \$75,000)	Balance	30,000.00
Water Meters (1966 \$40,000)	Balance	24,000.00
Balance of Inside Debt Limit	\$	<u>73,000.00</u>
Borrowing Capacity Jan. 1, 1970	\$	603,578.00

EXISTING TOWN DEBT

Outside town debt limit, Principal:

Red Oak School (1964 \$785,000)	Balance \$	650,000.00
Elementary School (1952 \$300,000)	Balance	30,000.00
Pent. Reg. School (1955-66)	Balance	852,959.00

Inside town debt limit:

Elementary School (noted above)	Balance \$	33,000.00
Water Meters (noted above)	Balance	24,000.00
Fire Truck (noted above)	Balance	16,000.00
		<u>\$ 1,605,959.00</u>

INTEREST ON ABOVE

Inside debt limit - Fire Truck	\$	662.40
Inside debt limit - Elementary School		50.00
Inside debt limit - Elementary Addition		1,017.50
Outside debt limit - Red Oak School		27,300.00
Outside debt limit - Elementary School		562.50
Outside debt limit - Pent. Reg. School		32,741.16
Inside debt limit - Water Meters		780.00
	\$	<u>62,813.56</u>

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